


COUNCIL COMMUNICATION

	Number:	19-052	Meeting:	February 11, 2019
	Agenda Item:	7	Roll Call:	19-189
	Submitted by:	Benjamin R. Page, Park and Recreation Director Steven L. Naber, P.E., City Engineer		

AGENDA HEADING:

Approving and authorizing the execution of the Iowa Department of Transportation (IDOT) Addendum for the Des Moines River Trail, Phase 2: SE 22nd Street to Easter Lake.

SYNOPSIS:

Recommend approval of IDOT Addendum No. 17-TAP-125-A between the City of Des Moines and the IDOT for the Des Moines River Trail, Phase 2: SE 22nd Street to Easter Lake.

FISCAL IMPACT:

Amount: \$2,250,000

Funding Source: Various funding being:

- \$477,000 – Transportation Alternative Program (TAP) Funds
- \$250,000 – Federal Recreational Trails Program Funds
- \$623,000 – Surface Transportation Block Grant (STBG) Program Funds
- \$300,000 - Resource Enhancement and Protection Grant Funds - Iowa Department of Natural Resources (IDNR)
- \$600,000 – 2018-19 CIP, Page Park Improvements -8, Multi-Use Trails, PK045, G.O. Bonds to be issued

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION:

- The purpose of this addendum is to correct an IDOT clerical error. The original agreement stated \$632,000 for STBG funding and \$500,000 for TAP funding. The correct amounts are \$623,000 for STBG funding and \$477,000 for TAP funding.
- This project will complete construction of a critical gap in the trail connection between downtown Des Moines and Easter Lake Park. The first phase of the Des Moines River Trail was completed in 2013. The second phase of the Des Moines River Trail will complete a segment of this major regional trail that will connect downtown Des Moines to Polk County's Easter Lake Park as well as future trails leading to the cities of Carlisle, Indianola and Norwalk, including the Summerset National Recreation Trail.

- The project is comprised of the construction of a 10-foot wide Hot Mix Asphalt (HMA) shared-used path from the Cownie Baseball Complex near SE 22nd Street to Easter Lake Park near Watrous Avenue. The trail is approximately 2.20-miles in length and includes neighborhood connections to the Cownie Soccer Complex, River Ridge Road, E Park Avenue and E Rose Avenue. The improvement includes 4-inch thick HMA pavement on top of a 12-inch thick granular base, clearing and grubbing, grading, site restoration, erosion control, storm sewers, wayfinding signage, and other associated work and incidental items.
- The project is scheduled to be bid in the spring of 2019 with construction starting in summer 2019. Project completion is anticipated in summer 2020.
- The estimated construction cost is \$2,250,000. The City was awarded the following funds for the project:
 - \$300,000 in Resource Enhancement and Protection grant funds from the IDNR
 - \$250,000 in Federal Recreational Trails Program Funds from the Iowa Transportation Commission for this specific project as part of a collaboration with the IDOT
 - \$477,000 in TAP Funds
 - \$623,000 in STBG Program funds from the IDOT
- Federal regulations require IDOT to administer federal funds. Iowa Code provide for recipients (in this case the City) and IDOT to enter into agreements with each other for the purpose of financing transportation improvement projects on streets and highways in Iowa with federal funds.



PREVIOUS COUNCIL ACTION(S):

Date: May 7, 2018

Roll Call Number: [18-0749](#)

Action: [Approving](#) Iowa Department of Transportation (IDOT) Agreement for the Des Moines River Trail, Phase 2: SE 22nd Street to Easter Lake. ([Council Communication No. 18-235](#)) Moved by Gray to adopt. Motion Carried 6-1. Absent: Gatto.

BOARD/COMMISSION ACTION(S): NONE

ANTICIPATED ACTIONS AND FUTURE COMMITMENTS:

To include ordering construction public hearing, receive and file bids, designate lowest bidder, and approve contract and bond; also, partial payments to the contractor and final acceptance of work.

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