

COUNCIL COMMUNICATION



Number:	19-326	Meeting:	July 15, 2019
Agenda Item:	13	Roll Call:	19-1087
Submitted by:	Steven L. Naber, P.E., City Engineer		

AGENDA HEADING:

Authorization to proceed with acquisition of the necessary property interests for the Hamilton Drain East System Storm Sewer Improvements – Phase 1 and 2 Project by gift, negotiation, or eminent domain.

SYNOPSIS:

Recommend approval of authorization to proceed with acquisition of the necessary property interests for the Hamilton Drain East System Storm Sewer Improvements – Phase 1 and 2 Project by gift, negotiation, or eminent domain. This action is required by Iowa law before the City can initiate the property acquisition process under eminent domain.

The Hamilton Drain East System Storm Sewer Improvements project will improve drainage in portions of the Highland Park neighborhood. The Hamilton Drain East System Storm Sewer Improvements project will include a combination of new storm sewer, detention basins, and repair of existing storm sewer.

FISCAL IMPACT:

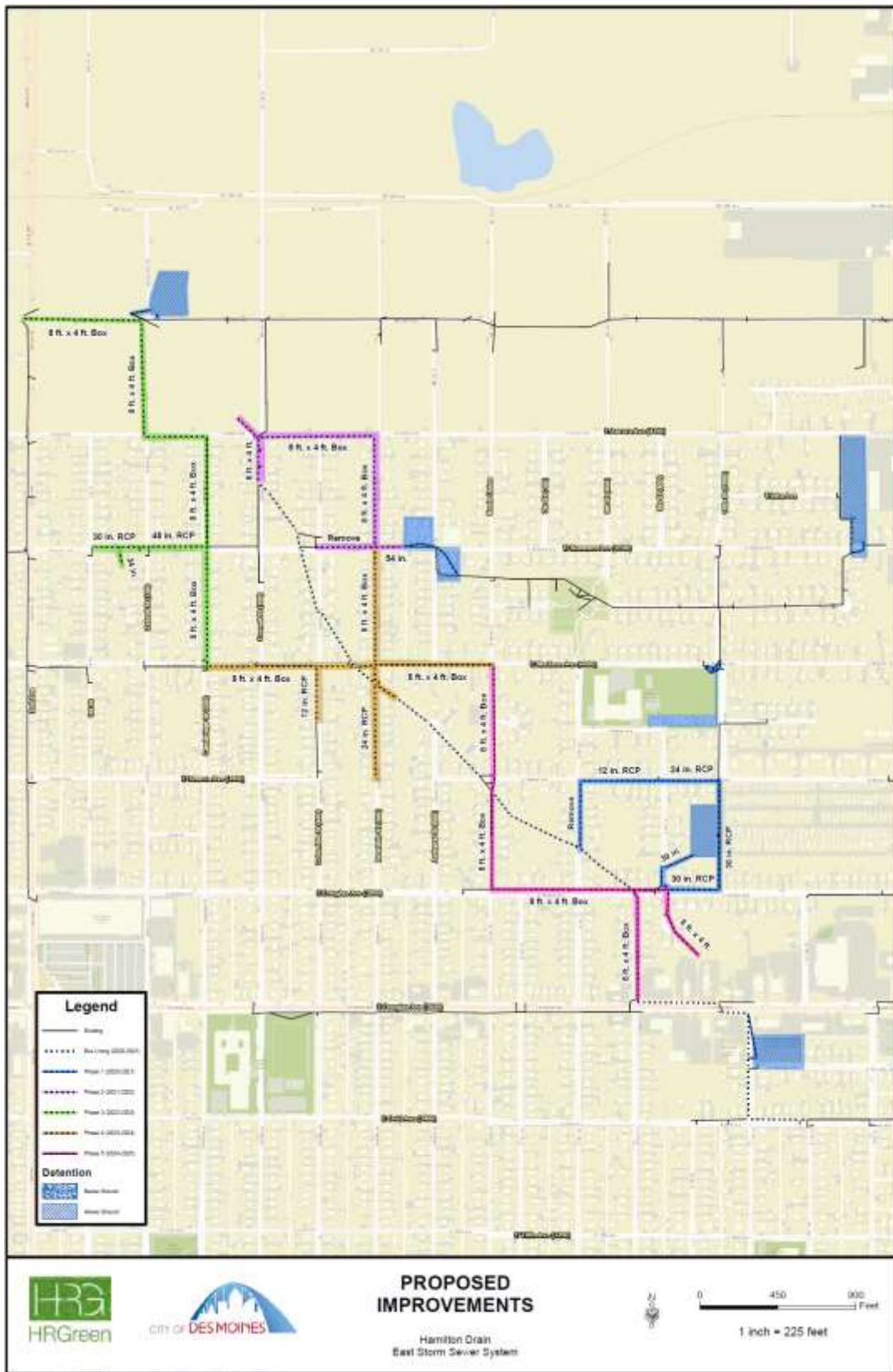
Amount: To be determined after design is completed and property needs have been identified.

Funding Source: 2019-20 CIP, Page Storm Water Improvements – 9, Hamilton Drainage Area Improvements, SM133

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION:

- The Federal Emergency Management Administration (FEMA) has designated a Special Flood Hazard Area in portions of the Highland Park neighborhood. The City's goal is to eliminate or reduce the Special Flood Hazard Area and reduce the number of buildings included within it.
- The Hamilton Drain East System Storm Sewer Improvements – Phase 1 and 2 project includes the first two (2) phases of a multi-phase project to improve drainage in portions of the Highland Park neighborhood. Phase 1 includes construction of multiple stormwater detention basins in the watershed for receiving and temporarily holding large amounts of stormwater, then slowly releasing stormwater at a controlled rate to mitigate flooding and erosion downstream. Phase 1 also includes construction of new storm sewers and removal and repair of existing sewers. Phase 2 includes construction of large storm sewers in the north (downstream) portion of the watershed.

- The stormwater detention basins will require total acquisition of some properties and permanent easements on others. Permanent and temporary easements will also be required for storm sewer improvements.



PREVIOUS COUNCIL ACTION(S):

Date: March 25, 2019

Roll Call Number: [19-0459](#)

Action: [Acceptance](#) of real estate documents from True Bible Baptist Church for voluntary acquisition of property interests located at 4104 Amherst Street for the Hamilton Drain Storm Water Improvements – Phase 1 Project. ([Council Communication No. 19-132](#)) Moved by Gatto to adopt. Motion Carried 7-0.

BOARD/COMMISSION ACTION(S): NONE

ANTICIPATED ACTIONS AND FUTURE COMMITMENTS: NONE

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