


# COUNCIL COMMUNICATION

	Number:	<b>23-345</b>	Meeting:	<b>July 17, 2023</b>
	Agenda Item:	<b>9</b>	Roll Call:	<b>23-0970</b>
	Submitted by:	<b>Steven L. Naber, P.E., City Engineer</b>		

## AGENDA HEADING:

Approving a Professional Services Agreement (PSA) with AECOM Technical Services, Inc. for professional services for the 6th Avenue Trail and Sidewalk Improvements (I-235 to University Avenue), not to exceed \$135,500.

## SYNOPSIS:

Recommend approval of the Professional Services Agreement with AECOM Technical Services, Inc. (Travis Boone, President, 300 South Grand Avenue, 9th Floor, Los Angeles, California, 90071) for a total cost not to exceed \$135,500, based on hourly rates and reimbursable costs, to provide design services for the 6th Avenue Trail and Sidewalk Improvements.

## FISCAL IMPACT:

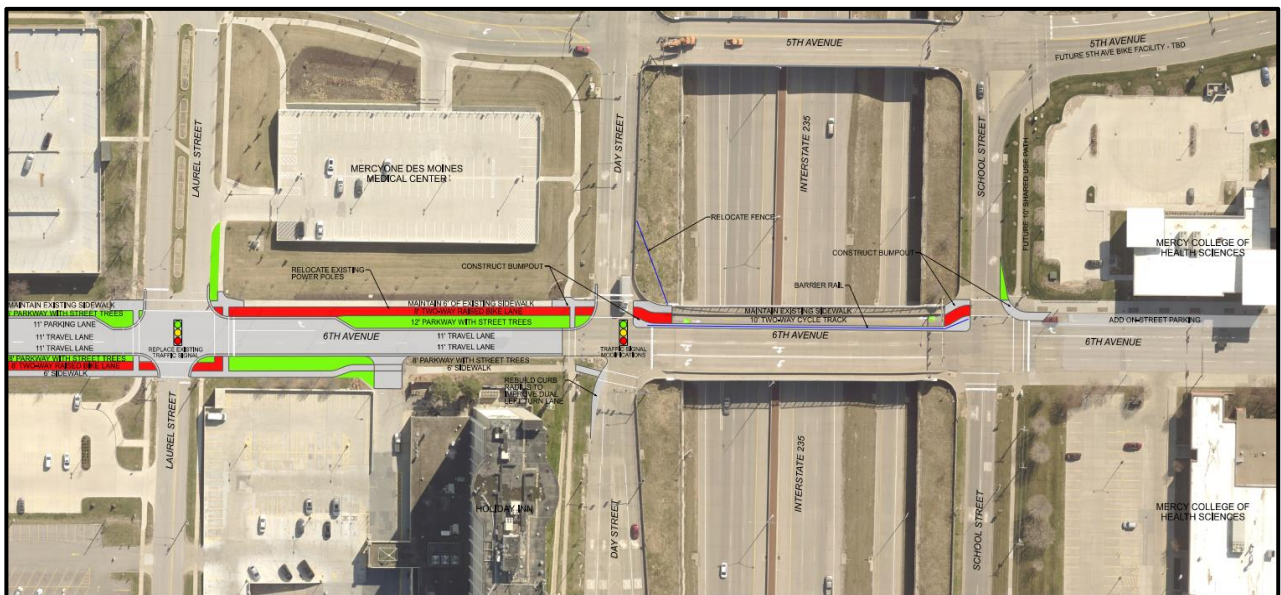
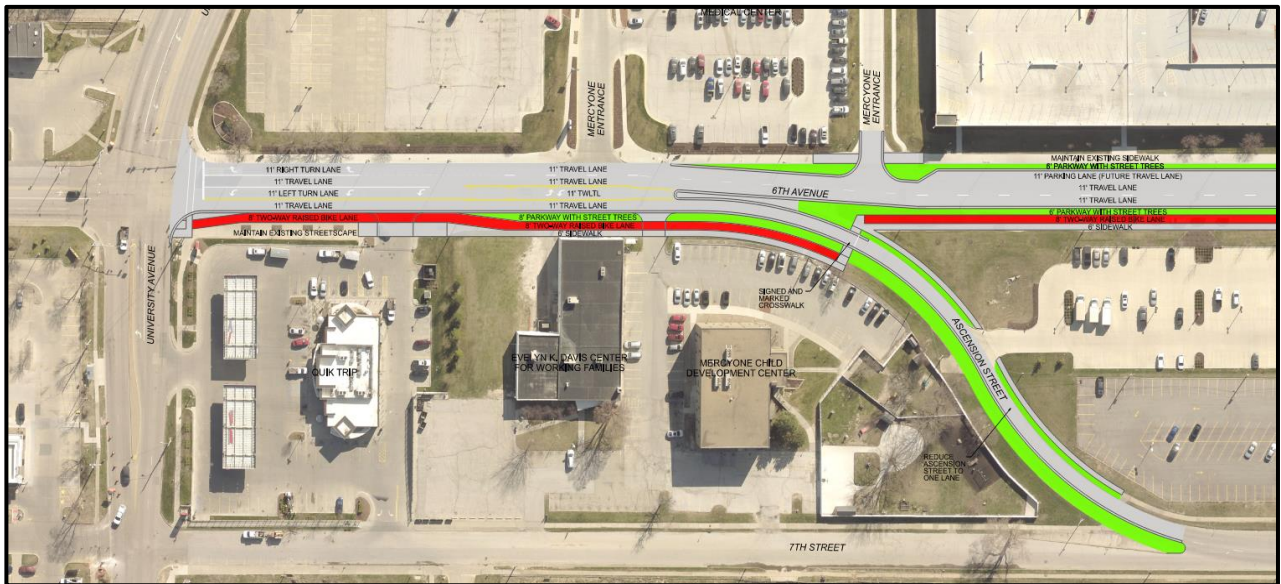
Amount: \$135,500

Funding Source: 2023-2024 CIP, Page 122, Sixth Avenue Streetscape, ST266, Being: Des Moines Water Works, Federal, G.O. Bonds

## ADDITIONAL INFORMATION:

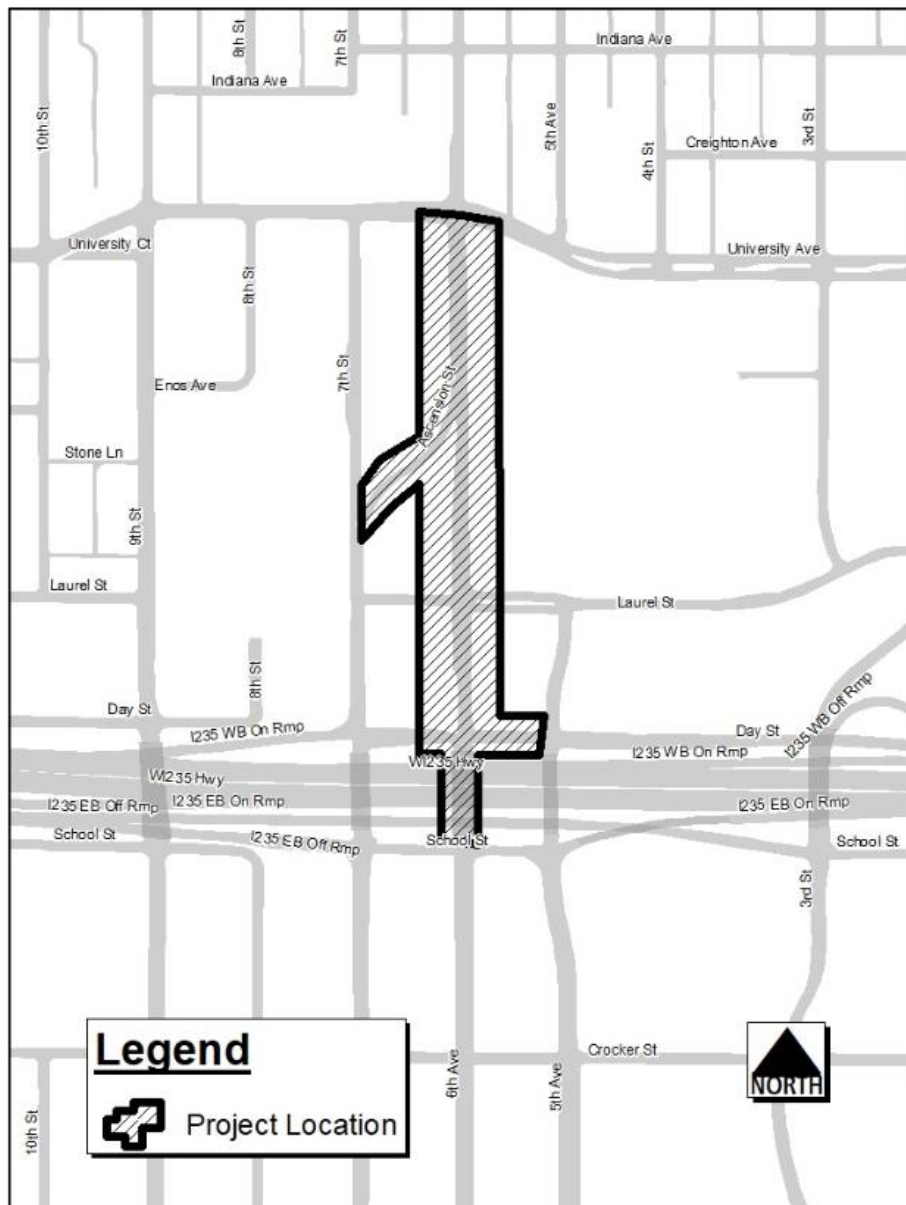
- This project will be the third and last phase in the revitalization of the 6th Avenue Corridor from the Des Moines River to I-235. The first phase of this project from Hickman Road to College Avenue was completed in 2020. The second phase from College Avenue to University Avenue was completed in 2022. This phase includes from University Avenue to I-235 and will be a limited streetscape with sidewalk/trail and landscaping along with roadway changes to improve safety for all street users.
- This project, shown conceptually in the graphics below, will include:
  - Narrowing 6th Avenue between University Avenue and Ascension Street, including removing one (1) of the two (2) southbound lanes on 6th Avenue.
  - Narrowing Ascension Street between 6th Avenue and 7th Street, including removing one (1) of the two (2) southbound lanes on Ascension Street.
  - Narrowing 6th Avenue between I-235 and Ascension Street, including removing one (1) of the three (3) northbound lanes on 6th Avenue.

- Geometric safety and sight distance improvements at the 6th Avenue and Day Street intersection, currently listed as #8 in the State of Iowa as Potential for Crash Reduction.
- Adding an eight (8)-foot-wide, two (2)-way, raised bicycle facility along 6th Avenue from University Avenue to I-235.
- Adding a five (5)-foot-wide sidewalk along Ascension Street.
- Increasing the amount of parkway with street tree plantings along the corridor between the roadway and sidewalk/raised bicycle facility.
- Replacement of traffic signals at the intersection of Laurel Street and 6th Avenue.
- Traffic signal modifications at the intersection of Day Street and 6th Avenue.
- Resurfacing (mill and overlay) 6th Avenue from University Avenue to Day Street and on Ascension Street.



- City staff propose to apply for Traffic Safety Improvement Program (TSIP) Funding with the State in August 2023, which if approved, would provide funding along with City funding to allow construction to start in 2025.

- A Request for Proposals (RFP) for professional services for 2022-2024 Sidewalk and Trail Design and Construction Phase Services was issued and posted on the City’s website. A selection committee of Engineering Department staff reviewed the 18 proposals received in response to the RFP. AECOM Technical Services, Inc. was selected to provide services for this project based upon the selection criteria in the RFP and their thorough project approach, understanding, and related project experience.
- The Scope of Services to be performed by the Consultant under this agreement shall encompass and include detailed work, services, materials, testing, equipment and supplies to complete the design of the aforementioned improvements including: Project/Contract Management, Project Coordination, Conceptual Design, Design Phase Services, Bidding Phase Services and design consultation during construction.
- City staff have negotiated a Professional Services Agreement with AECOM Technical Services, Inc. for a total cost not to exceed \$135,500, based on hourly rates and reimbursable costs, to provide design services for the 6th Avenue Trail and Sidewalk Improvements.



**PREVIOUS COUNCIL ACTION(S): NONE**

**BOARD/COMMISSION ACTION(S):**

Board: Access Advisory Board

Date: May 20, 2020

Resolution Number: Item #20-15

Action: Motion to approve by Bowman. Seconded by Stieler. Motion Approved 9-0.

**ANTICIPATED ACTIONS AND FUTURE COMMITMENTS:**

City staff do not anticipate any future Council actions on this Professional Services Agreement at this time; however, unanticipated changes to this Professional Services Agreement will require a Supplemental Agreement which may require Council action. The City Council should anticipate future Council actions related to proceeding with construction of the 6th Avenue Trail and Sidewalk Improvements.

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