


COUNCIL COMMUNICATION

 CITY OF DES MOINES OFFICE OF THE CITY MANAGER	Number: 24-522	Meeting: December 23, 2024
	Agenda Item: 12	Roll Call: []
	Submitted by: Steven L. Naber, P.E., City Engineer	

AGENDA HEADING:

Acceptance of a proposal from MidAmerican Energy Company to relocate existing overhead utilities transversely crossing 2nd Avenue to underground for the 2nd Avenue Reconstruction from University Avenue to the Des Moines River, estimated at \$389,410.

SYNOPSIS:

Recommend acceptance of a proposal from MidAmerican Energy Company (PO Box 657, Des Moines, Iowa 50306) to relocate existing overhead utilities transversely crossing 2nd Avenue to underground for the 2nd Avenue Reconstruction from University Avenue to the Des Moines River, estimated at \$389,410.

FISCAL IMPACT:

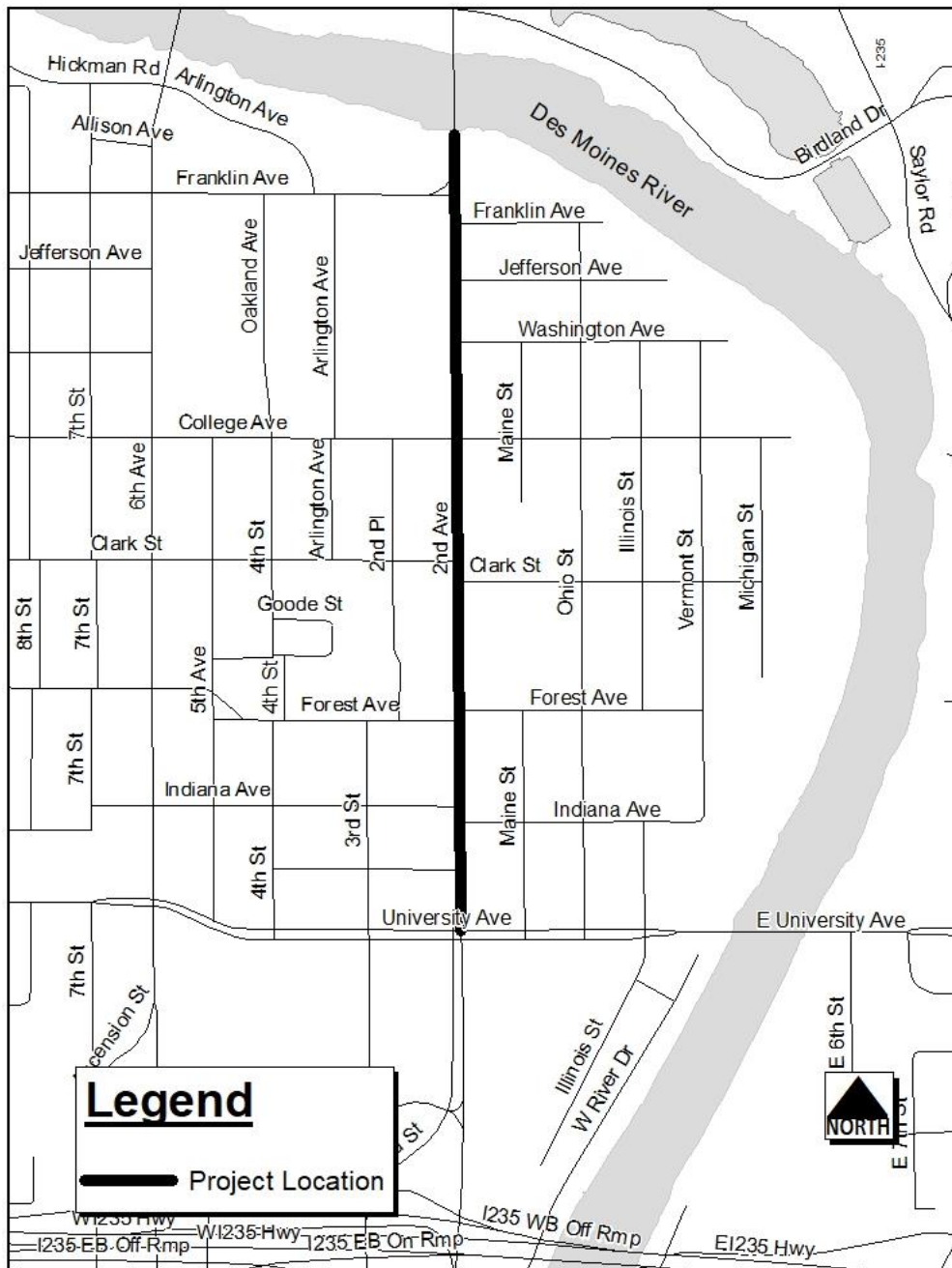
Amount: \$389,410

Funding Source: Fiscal Year (FY) 2024-2025 Capital Improvement Program (CIP), Page 115, Roadway Reconstruction – Second Avenue, ST277, Tax Increment Funding Bonds

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION:

- On December 18, 2023, by Roll Call No. 23-557, City Council held a hearing on 2nd Avenue Reconstruction from University Avenue to the Des Moines River, approving plans, specifications, form of contract documents, engineer's estimate, receive and file bids, and designating lowest responsible bidder as Synergy Contracting, LLC, Jesse Rognes, President, \$17,148,218.80.
- Construction of the 2nd Avenue Reconstruction from University to the Des Moines River project is well underway and still on schedule to be completed by fall of 2026.
- As part of the 2nd Avenue Reconstruction from University to the Des Moines River project, City staff were directed to request a proposal from MidAmerican Energy Company to remove and/or underground the overhead facilities transversely crossing 2nd Avenue between University Avenue and the Des Moines River.
- This proposal provides for MidAmerican Energy Company to:
 - Remove overhead distribution facilities transversely crossing 2nd Avenue.
 - Furnish and install underground cable, switchgears, and other pad-mounted equipment.

- o Provide a field representative to review plans with the contractor hired to install conduit system.
- This proposal is only for the undergrounding of the existing electrical lines which transversely cross 2nd Avenue, as noted above, and does not include installation of streetlight poles. The installation of streetlights will be completed via separate proposal after the road construction is completed.
- The estimate from MidAmerican Energy for the undergrounding of the existing electrical lines which transversely cross 2nd Avenue is \$389,410 and is budgeted as part of the 2nd Avenue Reconstruction from University Avenue to the Des Moines River project costs.



PREVIOUS COUNCIL ACTION(S):

Date: May 6, 2024

Roll Call Number: [24-0642](#)

Action: [Approving](#) Supplemental Agreement No. 1 to the Professional Services Agreement with Bolton & Menk, Inc. for professional services for 2nd Avenue Reconstruction from University Avenue to the Des Moines River, not to exceed \$1,189,923. ([Council Communication No. 24-188](#)) Moved by Coleman to adopt. Second by Gatto. Motion Carried 7-0.

BOARD/COMMISSION ACTION(S):

Board: Transportation Safety Committee

Date: July 9, 2019

Resolution Number: 1

Action: Motion was made by Jim Windsor to approve the 2nd Avenue Reconstruction from University Avenue to the Des Moines River Concept Plan for a four (4)-lane roadway section with turn lanes at select intersections and access control measurers along the corridor, seconded by Blake Hanson. Motion passed 7:1. Opposed: Dave Ferree (preferred five [5]-lane).

ANTICIPATED ACTIONS AND FUTURE COMMITMENTS:

This proposal is only for the undergrounding of the existing electrical lines which transversely cross 2nd Avenue, as noted above, and does not include installation of streetlight poles. The installation of streetlights will be completed via separate proposal after the road construction is completed. City Council should anticipate another proposal from MidAmerican Energy for costs related to installation of streetlight poles along 2nd Avenue.

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