


COUNCIL COMMUNICATION

	Number:	25-303	Meeting:	August 4, 2025
	Agenda Item:	8ii	Roll Call:	25-1024
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AGENDA HEADING:

Approving 28E Agreement between the City of Des Moines, Iowa (CITY) and Iowa State Fair Authority (FAIR) for a Temporary Traffic Signal at East 30th Street and Maple Street.

SYNOPSIS:

Approving 28E Agreement between the CITY and FAIR for a Temporary Traffic Signal at East 30th Street and Maple Street.

FISCAL IMPACT: NONE

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION:

- The FAIR has added a new pedestrian access to the State Fairgrounds at the intersection of East 30th Street and Maple Street.
- To manage traffic operations, including pedestrian traffic utilizing the new access to the State Fairgrounds at the intersection of East 30th Street and Maple Street, a temporary traffic signal during the Iowa State Fair is desired by both the FAIR and CITY.
- The FAIR desires that the new pedestrian access to the State Fairgrounds at the intersection of East 30th Street and Maple Street be opened for the 2025 Iowa State Fair; therefore, the temporary traffic signal should be installed and be available for the 2025 Iowa State Fair.
- To have a temporary traffic signal available for the 2025 Iowa State Fair, temporary span wire signals on overhead wires supported by temporary wood poles will be installed for the 2025 Iowa State Fair, hereinafter called the “INTERIM SIGNAL IMPROVEMENTS.”
- Ultimately, the final temporary traffic signal installation will include temporary span wire signals on overhead wires supported by steel poles, hereinafter called the “FINAL SIGNAL IMPROVEMENTS.”
- The CITY will oversee the design, construction, maintenance and operation of the INTERIM SIGNAL IMPROVEMENTS and FINAL SIGNAL IMPROVEMENTS.

- The FAIR will be responsible for all costs associated with the design, construction, maintenance and operation (including, but not limited to, power for the signal) of the INTERIM SIGNAL IMPROVEMENTS and FINAL SIGNAL IMPROVEMENTS. The FAIR will also be responsible for annual costs associated with the CITY'S on-call traffic signal contractor performing maintenance and operation of the signals, including installation of temporary span wire signals on overhead wires prior to the Iowa State Fair, and removal of temporary span wire signals on overhead wires after the Iowa State Fair.
- The INTERIM SIGNAL IMPROVEMENTS and FINAL SIGNAL IMPROVEMENTS will only be in operation during the Iowa State Fair and/or any other times only as determined by the CITY.



PREVIOUS COUNCIL ACTION(S): NONE

BOARD/COMMISSION ACTION(S): NONE

ANTICIPATED ACTIONS AND FUTURE COMMITMENTS:

Possible Council actions in future for final temporary traffic signal installation which will include temporary span wire signals on overhead wires supported by steel poles.

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