

Date December 23, 2013

WHEREAS, the Park and Recreation Board voted unanimously at its meeting held on December 16, 2013, to approve the following staff recommendation regarding budgeting for repairs of the Meredith Multi-Use Recreational Trail Southwest 1<sup>st</sup> Street Bridge and the Meredith Multi-Use Recreational Trail Southwest 5<sup>th</sup> (Jackson) Street Bridge:

Approving Park and Recreation Department's staff recommendation to:

- 1) Budget Capital Improvement Program (CIP) funding of \$1,080,000 for repairs to the Meredith Trail Southwest 1st Street Bridge within the next two years; and
- 2) Historically restore the Meredith Trail Southwest 5th (Jackson) Street Bridge to established safety standards for pedestrian bridges contingent upon:
  - a) \$750,000 being budgeted in the FY2017 CIP budget;
  - b) engineers indicating structural feasibility for restoration following an in-depth, second engineering analysis that would build upon the report done by Shuck-Britson;
  - c) engineers developing a cost estimate(s) for restoration of the bridge;
  - d) staff and stakeholders determining financial feasibility of the bridge's restoration; and
  - e) stakeholders developing a fundraising plan utilizing private, non-profit, and other State or Federal special appropriation funds for the balance of funds needed;
  - f) substantial fundraising being completed within 18 months after completion of the more detailed cost estimate in "c" above; if fundraising efforts are not successful or if the cost estimate is beyond an amount stakeholders feel is reasonable to obtain, the City will utilize the \$750,000 for demolition of the bridge.

(Council Communication 13-618)

MOVED by \_\_\_\_\_ to receive and file and refer to the Park and Recreation Department to proceed as recommended by staff and the Park and Recreation Board.

Approved as to Form:

Ann DiDonato  
Ann DiDonato, Assistant City Attorney

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COWNIE				
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**CERTIFICATE**

I, DIANE RAUH, City Clerk of said City hereby certify that at a meeting of the City Council of said City of Des Moines, held on the above date, among other proceedings the above was adopted.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and affixed my seal the day and year first above written.

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Mayor

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City Clerk