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Date June 9, 2014

APPROVING RECOMMENDATION FOR HUBBELL AVENUE RESTRIPIING PILOT PROJECT TO RETURN THE ROADWAY TO ITS ORIGINAL FOUR-LANE CONFIGURATION FROM EASTON BOULEVARD TO E 33RD STREET AND DIRECT THE CITY MANAGER TO CLOSE OUT THE GRANT PROCESS WITH THE IOWA DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION FOR THIS PROJECT

WHEREAS, the City had previously applied for an Iowa Department of Transportation Traffic Safety Funds Grant for a project on Hubbell Avenue, four-lane to three-lane conversion; and

WHEREAS, the Iowa Department of Transportation (IDOT) thus offered a grant to the City; and

WHEREAS, City Council directed public engagement process resulted in a community consensus not to proceed with the proposed improvements; and

WHEREAS, on August 27, 2012, the City Council directed that the City Manager rescind the application to the Iowa Department of Transportation for Traffic Safety Funds and return the tendered grant agreement for Hubbell Avenue "Four-Lane to Three-Lane Conversion" Project, including bicycle lanes; and

WHEREAS, it was determined it was in the best interest of the City to pursue an alternative to the original safety project which included a "Four-Lane to Three-Lane Conversion" Project, including bicycle lanes from Hubbell Avenue from E 18th Street to E. 33rd Street due to safety and citizen concerns; and

WHEREAS, on September 24, 2012, the City Manager was directed to develop an alternative safety project for Hubbell Avenue from Easton Boulevard to E. 33rd Street, and rescind prior Council direction for the Hubbell Avenue Restriping project; and

WHEREAS, on November 19, 2012, under Roll Call No. 12-1804, City Council approved a pilot project on Hubbell Avenue with no bicycle lanes from Easton to E.33rd Street to temporarily restripe the roadway on a trial basis to evaluate the actual safety benefits realized, and after the trial period to determine the level of success and whether to continue on a permanent basis; and

WHEREAS, on February 25, 2013, under Roll Call No. 13-0292, City Council approved IDOT Agreement No. 2013-TS-012 for the Hubbell Avenue Restriping Pilot Project with no bicycle lanes from Easton Boulevard to E 33rd Street that provides for Stage 1 project implementation at a cost to not exceed \$50,000 and a possible Stage 2 project implementation at a remaining cost to not exceed \$150,000; and

WHEREAS, the Iowa Department of Transportation Agreement for Traffic Safety Improvement Program Funding (Agreement) provides Stage 2 would be implemented if Stage 1 is determined successful based on the safety and public acceptance criteria; if it is determined that Stage 2 will not be implemented following the Stage 1 evaluation period, the costs of reverting Hubbell Avenue to the previous 4-lane designation will be accomplished solely at the City's expense and grant funds expensed as part of Stage 1 will not be required to be reimbursed to the IDOT; and

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WHEREAS, Stage 1 of the pilot project has been in place and safety and public acceptance criteria has been received, and the expected increases in safety benefits were not realized during Phase 1 of the trial basis, as the crash data did not reflect the anticipated large reduction in accidents, additionally the public opinion survey reflects 93% of respondents oppose the temporary restriping change.

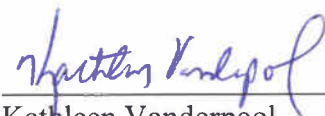
NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF DES MOINES, IOWA:

1. In accordance with the Agreement with Iowa Department of Transportation Agreement for Traffic Safety Improvement Program Funding (Agreement), the Stage One project was not successful in accordance with the evaluation criteria set forth in the Agreement including safety, traffic flow and public acceptance measures.
2. The Acting City Manager is hereby directed to not implement the Stage Two project and further directed to revert Hubbell Avenue to the previous four lane designation at City expense.
3. The Acting City Manager is hereby directed to notify the Iowa Department of Transportation that the City will not be using the remainder of the grant funds allocated to the City of Des Moines under the Agreement for the Stage Two project.

(Council Communication Number 14-267 Attached)

Moved by _____ to adopt.

APPROVED AS TO FORM:



Kathleen Vanderpool
Deputy City Attorney

| COUNCIL ACTION | YEAS | NAYS | PASS | ABSENT |
|----------------|------|------|------|--------|
| COWNIE | | | | |
| COLEMAN | | | | |
| GATTO | | | | |
| HENSLEY | | | | |
| MAHAFFEY | | | | |
| GRAY | | | | |
| MOORE | | | | |
| TOTAL | | | | |

MOTION CARRIED

APPROVED

Mayor

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.

City Clerk





1. Please enter the zip code of your residence:

| | Response Count |
|-------------------|----------------|
| | 406 |
| answered question | 406 |
| skipped question | 11 |



2. How close to Hubbell Avenue is your residence?

| | Response Percent | Response Count |
|---|------------------|----------------|
| On Hubbell  | 10.1% | 41 |
| 1 block away  | 10.3% | 42 |
| 2 blocks away  | 17.0% | 69 |
| 3 or more blocks away  | 62.7% | 255 |
| answered question | | 407 |
| skipped question | | 10 |

3. How long have you lived in the area? (answer only if you live on or near Hubbell)

| | | Response Percent | Response Count |
|-------------------|--|------------------|----------------|
| Less than 2 years |  | 1.6% | 6 |
| 2 to 5 years |  | 5.3% | 20 |
| 6 to 10 years |  | 13.8% | 52 |
| Over 10 years |  | 79.4% | 300 |
| answered question | | | 378 |
| skipped question | | | 39 |

4. Do you own a business near Hubbell?

| | | Response Percent | Response Count |
|-------------------|--|------------------|----------------|
| Yes |  | 9.9% | 41 |
| No |  | 90.1% | 373 |
| answered question | | | 414 |
| skipped question | | | 3 |

5. Please enter the zip code of your business:

| | Response Count |
|-------------------|----------------|
| | 57 |
| answered question | 57 |
| skipped question | 360 |

6. How close is Hubbell Avenue to your business?

| | | Response Percent | Response Count |
|--------------------------|--|---------------------|-------------------|
| On Hubbell | | 47.9% | 34 |
| 1 block away | | 4.2% | 3 |
| 2 blocks away | | 4.2% | 3 |
| 3 or more blocks away | | 43.7% | 31 |
| answered question | | | 71 |
| skipped question | | | 346 |

7. How long have you had your business in the area?

| | | Response Percent | Response Count |
|--------------------------|--|---------------------|-------------------|
| Less than 2 years | | 1.8% | 1 |
| 2 to 5 years | | 8.9% | 5 |
| 6 to 10 years | | 10.7% | 6 |
| Over 10 years | | 78.6% | 44 |
| answered question | | | 56 |
| skipped question | | | 361 |

8. How many times per week do you use Hubbell?

| | | Response Percent | Response Count |
|-------------------|--|------------------|----------------|
| 1 to 2 | | 4.2% | 17 |
| 3 to 5 | | 12.5% | 51 |
| 6 to 10 | | 16.5% | 67 |
| more than 10 | | 66.8% | 272 |
| answered question | | | 407 |
| skipped question | | | 10 |




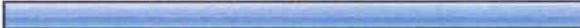

9. Were you familiar with the plans for restriping Hubbell into a three-lane roadway (one lane in each direction and a center left-turn lane)?

| | | Response Percent | Response Count |
|-------------------|--|------------------|----------------|
| Yes | | 52.1% | 214 |
| No | | 47.9% | 197 |
| answered question | | | 411 |
| skipped question | | | 6 |







10. Did you take survey before restriping project was done?

| | | Response Percent | Response Count |
|-------------------|--|------------------|----------------|
| Yes | | 16.4% | 68 |
| No | | 74.5% | 309 |
| Unsure | | 9.2% | 38 |
| answered question | | | 415 |
| skipped question | | | 2 |

11. Now that the restriping has been in place for 8 months, what do you think of the new lane arrangement (three-lane) on Hubbell?

| | | Response Percent | Response Count |
|----------------------------|--|------------------|----------------|
| I strongly agree |  | 4.6% | 19 |
| I somewhat agree |  | 2.2% | 9 |
| I somewhat disagree |  | 6.0% | 25 |
| I strongly disagree |  | 87.1% | 363 |
| I have no opinion |  | 0.2% | 1 |
| answered question | | | 417 |
| skipped question | | | 0 |



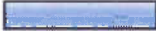






12. How do you think the lane changes have affected the traffic and pedestrian flow along Hubbell?

| | | Response Percent | Response Count |
|------------------------------------|---|------------------|----------------|
| Made it much safer |  | 4.6% | 19 |
| Made it somewhat safer |  | 1.9% | 8 |
| Had no affect |  | 6.7% | 28 |
| Made it somewhat more dangerous |  | 30.5% | 127 |
| Made it much more dangerous |  | 55.0% | 229 |
| I have no opinion |  | 1.2% | 5 |
| answered question | | | 416 |
| skipped question | | | 1 |

13. How do you think the proposed restriping project has affected business and shopping along Hubbell?

| | | Response Percent | Response Count |
|--|---|--------------------------|----------------|
| It has greatly increased business and shopping |  | 0.7% | 3 |
| It has somewhat increased business and shopping |  | 1.4% | 6 |
| It had no affect |  | 27.5% | 114 |
| It has somewhat reduced business and shopping |  | 28.3% | 117 |
| It has greatly reduced business and shopping |  | 19.6% | 81 |
| I have no opinion |  | 22.5% | 93 |
| | | answered question | 414 |
| | | skipped question | 3 |

14. Which of these activities have you done ALONG HUBBELL in the past year?

| | | Response Percent | Response Count |
|---|--|------------------|----------------|
| Catch a bus |  | 2.2% | 9 |
| Drive often (It's my regular route to work) |  | 80.8% | 337 |
| Drive sometimes |  | 22.5% | 94 |
| Jog |  | 2.4% | 10 |
| Shop |  | 45.8% | 191 |
| Bicycle |  | 3.8% | 16 |
| Walk |  | 11.5% | 48 |
| Walk across Hubbell |  | 16.8% | 70 |
| Walk pets |  | 7.4% | 31 |
| answered question | | | 417 |
| skipped question | | | 0 |

15. If you would like to be notified of any new information regarding the project or upcoming meetings, please enter your email address below:

| | Response Count |
|--------------------------|----------------|
| | 135 |
| answered question | 135 |
| skipped question | 282 |

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16. Please add any comments on the Hubbell project that you'd like to share in the box below:

| | Response Count |
|-------------------|----------------|
| | 276 |
| answered question | 276 |
| skipped question | 141 |