CITY OF WEST DES MOINES
CITY COUNCIL MEETING COMMUNICATION

DATE: December 11, 2017

ITEM: Resolution – Authorizing Application for Surface Transportation Block Grant (STBG) / Transportation Alternative Program (TAP) Funding – Des Moines Metropolitan Planning Organization

FINANCIAL IMPACT: Potentially up to $525,000 in grant funding.

BACKGROUND: The Des Moines Area Metropolitan Planning Organization (MPO) is accepting Surface Transportation Block Grant (STBG) / Transportation Alternative Program (TAP) funding application from member governments, the Iowa Department of Transportation, and the Des Moines Metropolitan Transit Authority. Applications are due December 8, 2017. The STBG/TAP program was formerly known as the Surface Transportation Program or STP. The MPO will evaluate applications during January and February 2018. The STBG funds will then be awarded to successful projects for Federal Fiscal Year 2022.

The STBG program requires the recipient of the funds to commit non-federal matching funds equal to at least 20 percent of the total project cost. The application currently indicates City would commit 36% of the funds to the project. This would include $300,000 of budgeted CIP funds from the Woodland Hills Greenway.

The proposed project is the first phase of a trail within a major new greenway along Sugar Creek located on the western side of the city. This phase includes a trail starting on the north at Stagecoach Drive, running south along the west side of Sugar Creek, crossing Sugar Creek, and then heading east to connect into Woodland Hills Park and Greenway (see attached map). Future phases of the trail will extend to the north connecting into the Waukee trail system and to the south to a future trail along the Raccoon River. The Sugar Creek Trail is an important part of the proposed 26.2 mile Marathon Loop.

This item was distributed and approved by the Finance & Administration Council Committee on November 29, 2017.

OUTSTANDING ISSUES: None

RECOMMENDATION: Staff recommends that the City Council authorize staff to file application for the listed project and that the Council authorized the Mayor, City Manager or Designee to act on the City's behalf in filing the application, approve the indicated priority and match amounts for the project, and agree to maintain the completed project for a least twenty years, as indicated in the proposed resolution.

Lead Staff Member: David Sadler, Superintendent of Parks

STAFF REVIEWS

Department Director	Sally Ortgies, Director of Parks and Recreation
Appropriations/Finance	Tim Stiles, Finance Director
Legal	Richard Scieszinski, City Attorney
Agenda Acceptance	

PUBLICATION(S) (if applicable)

Published In	
Dates(s) Published	

SUBCOMMITTEE REVIEW (if applicable)

Committee	Finance & Admin.		
Date Reviewed	11/29/17		
Recommendation	Yes		

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF WEST DES MOINES, IOWA, AUTHORIZING THE CITY TO SUBMIT APPLICATIONS TO THE DES MOINES METROPOLITAN PLANNING ORGANIZATINO FOR FEDERAL SURFACE TRANSPORTATION BLOCK GRANT PROGRAM FUNDING FOR FFY 2022 AND PLEDGING THAT THE CITY WILL PROVIDE MATCHING FUNDS FOR FEDERAL FUNDS RECEIVED

WHEREAS, the City of West Des Moines is a full member of the Des Moines Area Metropolitan Planning Organization; and

WHEREAS, the Federal Surface Transportation Block Grant Program (STBG) / Transportation Alternative Program (TAP) provides funding to local jurisdictions for the construction of eligible projects; and

WHEREAS, the program is administered by the Des Moines Area Metropolitan Planning Organization which prioritizes and ranks all project applications; and

WHEREAS, the City Council Finance & Administration Council Committee on November 29, 2017, and the City Council on December 11, 2017, directed staff to file applications for Surface Transportation Block Grant (STBG) / Transportation Alternative Program (TAP) funding for Federal Fiscal Year 2022;

NOW, THEREFORE, THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF WEST DES MOINES HEREBY RESOLVES AS FOLLOWS:

SECTION 1. The City Council authorized the Mayor, City Manager or Designee to sign the applications to the Des Moines Metropolitan Planning Organization and sign all pertinent papers on behalf of the City as they relate to these applications.

SECTION 2. The City of West Des Moines supports and approves the applications for Federal Surface Transportation Block Grants or the projects identified.

SECTION 3. The City of West Des Moines pledges matching funds for federal funds received, as required by the Federal Surface Transportation Block Grant Program.

SECTION 4. The City of West Des Moines accepts and agrees to maintain improvements partially funded by the Federal Surface Transportation Block Grant Program for a minimum of twenty (20) years upon completion of the project.

PASSED AND ADOPTED, this 11th day of December, 2017.

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Steven K. Gaer, Mayor

I HEREBY CERTIFY that the foregoing resolution was duly adopted by the City Council of the City of West Des Moines, at a regular meeting held December 11, 2017, by the following vote:

ATTEST:

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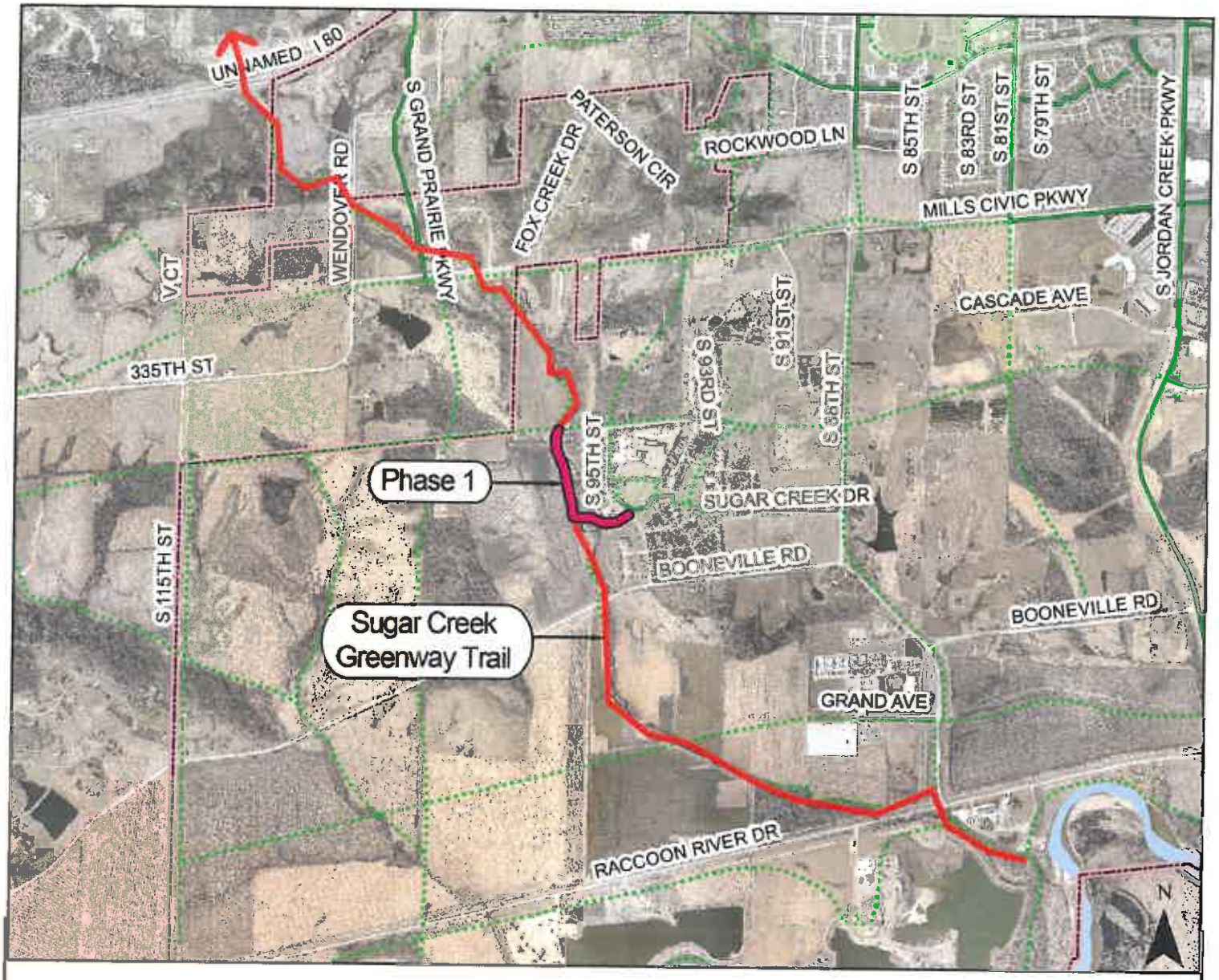
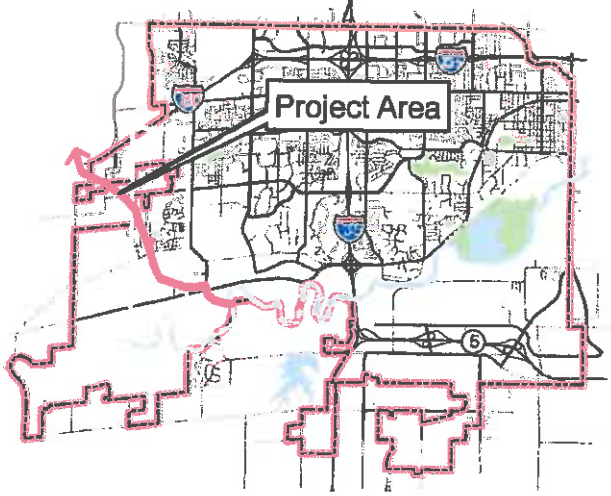
Ryan Jacobson, City Clerk



VICINITY MAP



LEGEND

- Project Location
- Proposed Trails
- Existing Trail

0 0.25 0.5 Miles

THE CITY OF WEST DES MOINES

PROJECT	SURFACE TRANSPORTATION BLOCK GRANT (STBG) SUGAR CREEK GREENWAY TRAIL PHASE 1
LOCATION:	SUGAR CREEK CORRIDOR (WAUKEE TO RACCOON RIVER)
DRAWN BY: MAA	DATE: 12/04/17 · PROJECT NO.: - · SHT. 1 of 1