

COUNCIL ACTION FORM

SUBJECT: 2005/2006 SHARED USE PATH SYSTEM (GRAND AVENUE – MURRAY DRIVE TO 20TH STREET)

BACKGROUND:

The annual Shared Use Path System provides for construction of shared use paths on street right-of-way, adjacent to streets, and through greenbelts. This project supports one of the City Council’s priorities, connecting our community. Shared use paths located along arterial streets that can also serve as Safe Routes to School have been prioritized within this program.

The 2005/2006 program identified construction of a path along the west side of Grand Avenue from Murray Drive to 20th Street. The 8-foot path extended the existing shared use path in place to the north. This location also met the priority criteria identified by Council in relation to the Pedestrian Walkway program, since this is along an arterial street and is also a walking route to school.

On September 9th, 2008, City Council awarded the contract to Manatt’s, Inc., of Ames, Iowa, in the amount of \$132,921.09. Construction was completed in the amount of \$150,053.71.

The following is a table showing total project costs along with easement costs.

<u>Item</u>	<u>Projected Cost</u>
Engineering and Contract Administration	\$ 29,984.00
Permanent Easements	\$ 5,613.05
Land Acquisition	\$ 4,583.80
Temporary Easements	\$ 14,870.29
Construction Contract	<u>\$150,053.71</u>
Total Project Cost	\$205,104.85

On August 12, 2008, City Council approved funding in the amount of \$183,042.94 from the Local Option Sales Tax fund allocation for this project as well as the 2007/08 Shared Use Path System. In turn, the federal funding that was allocated for this project was moved to the 2007/08 program. The additional funding, in the amount of \$22,062, that is needed will be financed through the Local Option Sales Tax allocation from the 2008/09 Shared Use Path System. Staff has applied for state and federal grants, which if successful, will reduce the need for these funds.

ALTERNATIVES:

1. Accept the 2005/2006 Shared Use Path System (Grand Avenue – Murray Drive to 20th Street) as completed by Manatt's Inc., of Ames, Iowa, in the amount of \$150,053.71.
2. Direct staff to pursue modifications to the project.

MANAGER'S RECOMMENDED ACTION:

This project has been certified as complete by the project engineer.

Therefore, it is the recommendation of the City Manager that the City Council adopt Alternative No. 1, thereby accepting the 2005/2006 Shared Use Path System (Grand Avenue – Murray Drive to 20th Street) as completed by Manatt's Inc., of Ames, IA in the amount of \$150,053.71.