ITEM # \_\_<u>11\_\_</u> DATE: 03-25-14

## **COUNCIL ACTION FORM**

SUBJECT: SUNSET RIDGE 4<sup>TH</sup> ADDITION – PEDESTRIAN EASEMENT VACATION/RELOCATION

## **BACKGROUND:**

As Sunset Ridge residential development continues to build out, it was discovered that a City of Ames Electric transformer was placed within a pedestrian easement. Staff met with the developer on site to review the area, and it was determined the most cost effective and acceptable solution would be to relocate the existing pedestrian easement.

Attachment A shows the existing easement with the transformer shown within the easement. Attachment B shows the location of the proposed easement.

With the easement being specified as a pedestrian easement, no additional outreach to utility companies or entities was necessary, since Public Works is the only stakeholder in the easement. Staff sees no issues with relocation of the easement and the future sidewalk.

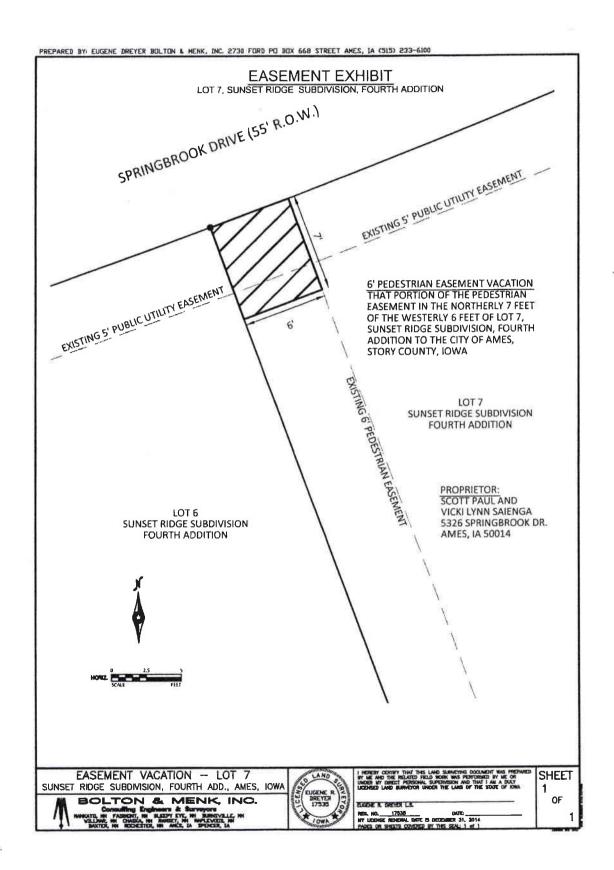
## **ALTERNATIVES:**

- 1. Set April 8, 2014 as the date of public hearing for the proposed vacation of the pedestrian easement as shown on Attachment A.
- 2. Direct staff to pursue other options.

## MANAGER'S RECOMMENDED ACTION:

By moving forward with the process to approve vacation of this easement, Council will facilitate this development requirement to install the sidewalk. The proposed easement shown on Attachment B will be recorded separate form this action.

Therefore, it is the recommendation of the City Manager that the City Council adopt Alternative No. 1, thereby setting April 8, 2014 as the date of public hearing for the proposed vacation of the pedestrian easement as shown on Attachment A.



PREPARED BY EUGENE DREYER BOLTON & MENK, INC. 2730 FORD PO BOX 668 STREET AMES, IA (515) 233-6100 EASEMENT EXHIBIT LOT 6, SUNSET RIDGE SUBDIVISION, FOURTH ADDITION SPRINGBROOK DRIVE (55' R.O.W.) EXISTING S' PUBLIC UTILITY EASEMENT PEDESTRIAN EASEMENT THE NORTHERLY 13 FEET OF THE EASTERLY 6 FEET LOT 6, SUNSET EXISTING 5' PUBLIC UTILLTY EASEMENT RIDGE SUBDIVISION, FOURTH ADDITION TO THE CITY OF AMES, STORY COUNTY, IOWA LOT 7 SUNSET RIDGE SUBDIVISION **FOURTH ADDITION** LOT 6 SUNSET RIDGE SUBDIVISION FOURTH ADDITION PROPRIETOR: AMES, IA 500xx PEDESTRIAN EASEMENT - LOT 6 SHEET SUNSET RIDGE SUBDIVISION, FOURTH ADD., AMES, IOWA 1 BOLTON & MENK, INC.
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