

COUNCIL ACTION FORM**SUBJECT: 2017/18 ACCESSIBILITY ENHANCEMENT PROGRAM (AIRPORT ROAD SIDEWALK)****BACKGROUND:**

This annual program provides safer pedestrian facilities, improves ADA accessibility, upgrades signalized crossings, and limits the City's liability for injury to residents using public sidewalks that are in a deteriorated condition. **The location for this project is the Ames Municipal Airport frontage along Airport Road.** The existing retaining wall to the west of Airport Drive has failed. The reconstruction of the retaining wall will utilize Right-of-Way Enhancement funding and has been incorporated into this project.

This project became necessary when the new Airport Terminal was constructed. Chapter 5 of the Building Code requires all remaining public improvements adjacent to a project to be installed when any new building or improvement to a principal building valued at over \$100,000 is made.

City staff have completed plans and specifications for this project. The construction for this project has an estimated cost of \$281,549.60. Engineering and construction administration costs are estimated at \$70,400.00, bringing the **total estimated cost for the project to \$351,949.60.**

The table below shows the revenues and expenses for this project:

	<u>Revenue</u>	<u>Expenses</u>
Accessibility Enhancement G.O. Bonds	\$ 125,000	
Accessibility Enhancement Road Use Tax	\$ 75,000	
Accessibility Enhancement L.O.S.T.	\$ 75,000	
Right-of-Way Enhancement Road Use Tax	\$ 100,000	
Construction (Estimated)		\$ 281,549.60
Engineering and Administration (Estimated)		\$ 70,400.00
	\$ 375,000	\$ 351,949.60

ALTERNATIVES:

1. Approve the plans and specifications for the 2017/18 Accessibility Enhancement Program (Airport Road Sidewalk) project by establishing January 16, 2019, as the date of letting and January 22, 2019, as the date for report of bids.
2. Do not approve this project.

MANAGER'S RECOMMENDED ACTION:

By approving these plans and specifications, it will be possible to continue a Complete Streets approach in this corridor and expand our sidewalk network.

Therefore, it is the recommendation of the City Manager that the City Council adopt Alternative No. 1, as described above.