

COUNCIL ACTION FORM

**SUBJECT: APPROVAL OF PLANS AND SPECIFICATIONS FOR
DEVELOPMENT OF GREENBRIAR PARK AND INSTALLATION OF SHARED
USE PATH**

BACKGROUND:

The FY10/11 Capital Improvement Plan includes **\$138,100** to develop this site as follows:

- Relocate the BMX course to the back of the park
- Bring in fill dirt and seed the entire area with native plant material
- Install an 8 stall parking lot
- Construct a kiosk so the park can serve as a trail head for the overall Shared Use Path system from south to north Ames
- Install a Shared Use Path adjacent South 16h Street

REVISED PROJECT BUDGET

	<u>Adopted</u>	<u>Revised</u>
Engineering	\$ 12,210	\$ 12,210
Construction	\$109,390	\$119,779
Seeding (City)	\$ 4,000	\$ 4,000
Contingency	<u>\$ 12,500</u>	<u>\$ 12,500</u>
TOTAL:	\$138,100	\$148,489

The estimated increase of \$10,389 in the revised budget is needed to accommodate recommended alterations to the shared use path adjacent to South 16th Street. These design changes include:

- Increase trail width from 8' to 10'
- Additional grading to widen the right-of-way to accommodate the additional two feet of path
- Thicker concrete depth (12" versus 5") next to street curb to eliminate shifting and the possibility of an uneven surface

In the event lower than estimated competitive bids are received one add alternate was included. This alternate would increase the parking lot by six spaces.

The identified funding source for the project is the Local Option Sales Tax Fund balance, a portion of which is designated for Park Development. The balance currently totals approximately \$816,000.

To obtain the most competitive bids, a completion date of July 1, 2011 has been established although, according to the specifications, the project can begin as early as the Fall of 2010.

ALTERNATIVES:

1. Approve plans and specifications to develop Greenbriar Park and construct a shared use path adjacent South 16th Street; establish October 20, 2010 as the bid due date and October 26, 2010 to report bids and award a contract.
2. Delay this project.

CITY MANAGER'S RECOMMENDED ACTION:

It is recommended by the City Manager that the City Council approve Alternative #1 thereby approving the plans and specifications to develop Greenbriar Park and establishing October 20, 2010 as the bid due date as well as October 26, 2010 for the date to report bids and award a contract.