

ITEM # 15
DATE 12-18-12

COUNCIL ACTION FORM

SUBJECT: RESOLUTION ASSESSING COSTS OF SIDEWALK REPAIR

BACKGROUND:

A hired contractor for the City has repaired sidewalks on the property listed below. Notice is given to the property owner that the City will repair the sidewalk if the owner has not done so, and assess the actual cost of the repair to the property owner.

Also included in the list is the name and address of the property owner and the cost associated with the sidewalk repair. The work was completed, and a bill has been mailed to the owner. To date, the bill has not been paid. A certified notice of this hearing has been mailed to the property owner.

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1919 Clark Avenue
Ames, IA 50010

\$ 150.00

Sidewalk repair for property located at 1919 Clark Avenue
Work performed on October 12, 2012

ALTERNATIVES:

1. The City Council can adopt a resolution assessing the costs to the property owner shown above. The Finance Director will then prepare a spread sheet on the assessment, and the City Clerk's Office will file the assessment with the Story County Treasurer for collection in the same manner as property taxes as provided for by the *Code of Iowa*.
2. The City Council could choose not to certify this cost to the County Treasurer and, instead, absorb it.

MANAGER'S RECOMMENDED ACTION:

The property owner has failed to repair the sidewalk after receiving notice to do so, and has neglected to pay the costs incurred by the City.

Therefore, it is the recommendation of the City Manager that the City Council adopt Alternative #1, thereby assessing the costs of the sidewalk repair to the property owner shown above.