

TEM #: 11
DATE: 03-08-22

COUNCIL ACTION FORM

SUBJECT: 2021/22 SHARED USE PATH MAINTENANCE – LITTLE BLUESTEM

BACKGROUND:

This program provides for shared use path maintenance activities such as patching, joint repairs, micro-surfacing, as well as complete replacement. Locations are determined using a condition inventory, visual inspection of paths, and input from users. The improvements will enhance safety, usability and aesthetics of the path/trail system.

This project is located between Little Bluestem Court and Gateway Hills Park Drive (see attached map) and will replace the existing shared use path with a new concrete path. This shared use path section needs full replacement due to deterioration from tree root damage, soil erosion, and age. A project to address the storm water erosion, including selective tree clearing, was completed in 2020.

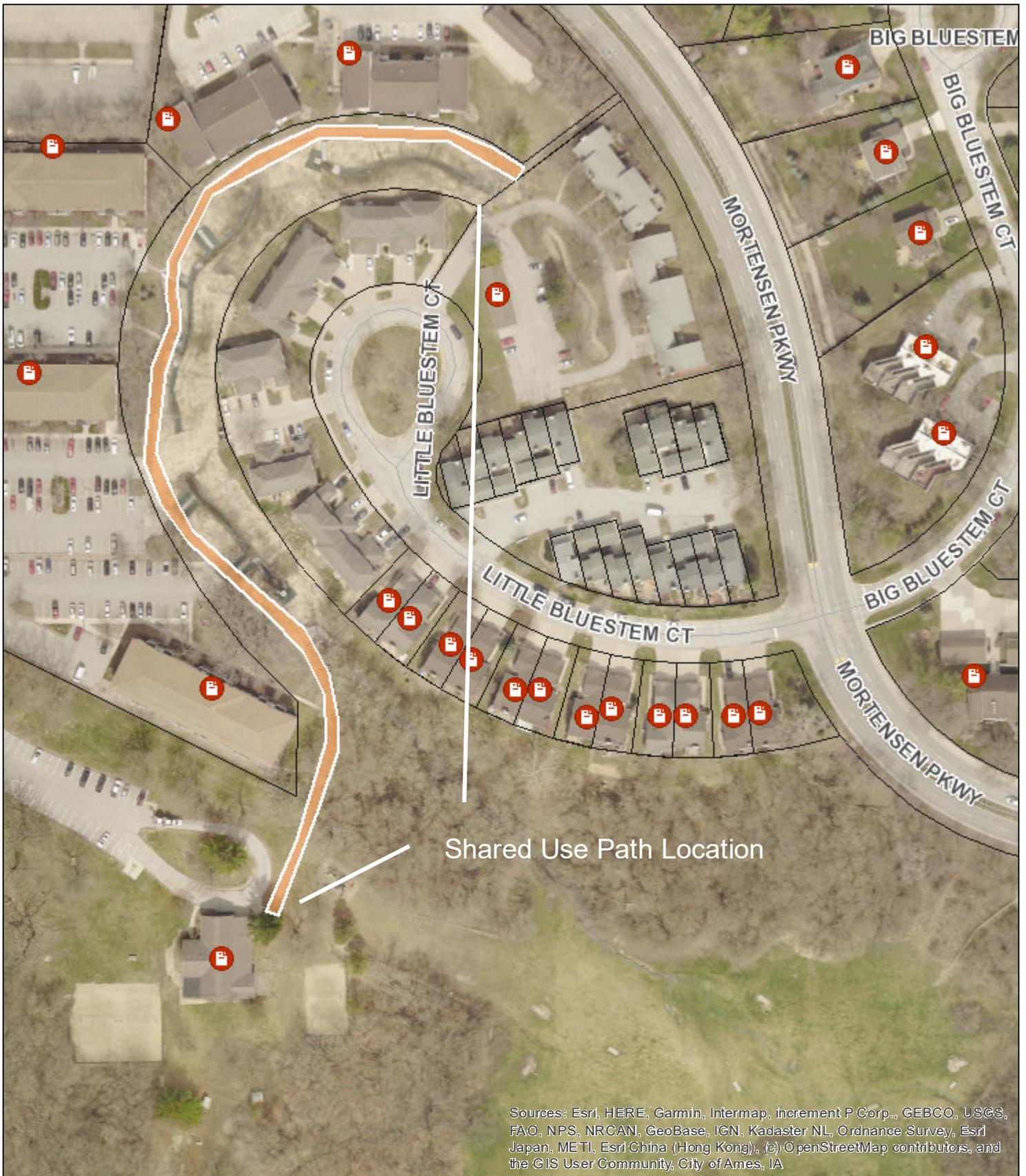
Plans and specifications have been prepared by staff with an estimated project cost of \$133,795.10. There is \$125,000 of Local Option Sales Tax revenue allocated for this program annually in the Capital Improvement Plan. These funds have been accumulated and carried over into the current budget. There is an additional \$68,000 available from savings from several smaller joint sealing and patching contracts through this program, **resulting in approximately \$193,000 being available to fund this project.**

ALTERNATIVES:

1. Approve plans and specifications for the 2021/22 Shared Use Path Maintenance – Little Bluestem project, and establish April 20, 2022, as the date of bid letting and April 26, 2022 as the date for report of bids.
2. Do not approve this project.

CITY MANAGER'S RECOMMENDED ACTION:

Approving this project will enhance user experience and aesthetics along this shared use path. Therefore, it is the recommendation of the City Manager that the City Council adopt Alternative No. 1, as described above.



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Date: 3/1/2022



NORTH

1 inch = 188 feet