

ITEM #: 21
DATE: 01-14-25
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COUNCIL ACTION FORM

SUBJECT: 2024/25 ARTERIAL STREET PAVEMENT IMPROVEMENTS (HYLAND AVE)

BACKGROUND:

This annual program focuses on rehabilitation and reconstruction to prevent premature pavement breakdown. **The project involves the reconstruction of Hyland Avenue from Ontario Street to Pammel Drive and rehabilitation of the sections from Pammel Drive to Lincoln Way.**

City Council requested staff provide a memo regarding the Hyland Avenue reconstruction project and considerations for improving safety for bicyclists and pedestrians along the corridor. This included evaluating the potential for shared use path on the west side of Hyland Ave. **A memo was presented to the City Council explaining the existing bike and pedestrian facilities on Hyland Avenue and proposed an alternative that would construct a shared use path on the west side of Hyland Avenue from Oakland Street to Ontario Street.**

At the May 28, 2024, meeting, the City Council directed staff to include the shared use path on the west side of Hyland Avenue between Ontario Street and Oakland Avenue. The design also involved removing the on-street bike lanes through this section, reducing the roadway width by nine feet with reconstruction from Ontario to Pammel, replacing nine feet of existing pavement with new curb from Pammel to Oakland, and performing rehabilitation and patching from Oakland to Lincoln Way.

PUBLIC OUTREACH:

In addition to getting design direction from City Council on May 28, 2024, staff mailed meeting notices to residents and owners. A public meeting was held on September 25, 2024, at the Unitarian Universalist Fellowship of Ames, located at 1011 Hyland Avenue. The meeting was an open house format, during which the various stages of the project were discussed, including the construction of the new shared use path. The response to the project was generally positive, including specifically about the replacement of the bike lanes with a shared-use path.

Plans and specifications for this project were prepared by WHKS. Projected revenues and expenses are shown below.

Funding Source	Revenue	Expenses
General Obligation Bonds	\$ 758,080	
AAMPO STBG Funds	\$ 1,890,000	
Sanitary Sewer Improvements	\$ 20,500	
Engineering/Administration		\$ 405,900
Construction Estimate		\$ 2,158,958
TOTAL	\$ 2,668,580	\$ 2,564,858

ALTERNATIVES:

1. Approve plans and specifications for 2024/25 Arterial Street Pavement Improvements (Hyland Ave) and establish February 18, 2025, as the date of letting and February 25, 2025, as the date for report of bids.
2. Do not approve this project

CITY MANAGER'S RECOMMENDED ACTION:

This project will be let by the Iowa Department of Transportation (DOT) due to the state Surface Transportation Block Grant (STBG) funding. Approval of the plans and specifications will continue to keep this project on the Iowa DOT's February 18, 2025, letting schedule. Therefore, it is the recommendation of the City Manager that the City Council adopt Alternative No. 1, as described above.

ATTACHMENT(S):

[Hyland Ave Location Map.pdf](#)