

City of Minneapolis
Request for Committee Action

To: Transportation & Public Works
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Referral: Ways & Means
From: Public Works Department
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File type: Resolution
Subcategory: Agreement

Subject:

Downtown Pedestrian Improvement Project – Authority to Execute Agreement with MnDOT for Architectural History Review.

Description:

Authorizing the execution of a professional services contract with the State of Minnesota for conducting the phase I and phase II architectural historical review for the Downtown Pedestrian Improvement Project.

Previous Actions:

July 1, 2011 – City Council Authorization to submit the application for federal funding and commit local funds per federal requirement.

Ward/Address:

Wards 3 and 7

Background/Analysis:

This project consists of pedestrian-related improvements including: ADA ramps, countdown timers, crosswalks, lighting and landscaping improvements to approximately 20 intersections in the area bounded by 1st Ave N., 6th St, 9th St and Chicago Avenue.

The City received \$1.0M in federal matching funds for the Downtown Pedestrian Improvement Project. One of the requirements for using federal funds is to complete an environmental document referred to as a Project Memorandum. A Project Memorandum includes a historical review of the properties in the project area. MnDOT offers to coordinate this work with their own Cultural Resources Unit and will pay for 80% of the work if they take the lead in hiring and coordinating the consultant contract for this work. The proposed contract is in the amount of \$39,640, of which MnDOT will require the City to pay 20% or approximately \$7,928. Staff recommends approval of the agreement with MnDOT.

The project is being designed and prepared for bidding in the spring of 2016. Construction is anticipated in 2016.

Financial Review:

No additional appropriation required, amount included in current budget.

Attachments:

1. Project area map

**RESOLUTION
OF THE
CITY OF MINNEAPOLIS**

By Reich and Quincy

Authorizing execution of a professional services contract with the State of Minnesota.

Resolved by The City Council of The City of Minneapolis:

That the proper City officers be authorized to execute a professional services contract with the State of Minnesota for conducting the Phase I and Phase II Architectural Historical Review for the Downtown Pedestrian Improvement Project, as set forth in File No. 15-01354.