



## Request for City Council Committee Action From the Department of Public Works

**Date:** August 23, 2005  
**To:** Honorable Sandra Colvin Roy, Chair Transportation & Public Works Committee  
**Referral to:** Honorable Barbara Johnson, Chair Ways & Means Committee

**Subject:** Chicago Streetscape Project

**Recommendation:**

Authorize Public Works to negotiate with private property owners to acquire and execute easements and additional right of way.

**Previous Directives:**

- February 25, 2005 Council Resolution 2005R-108, Ordering work to proceed and adopting special assessments.

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**Approved by:**

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Klara A. Fabry, P.E., City Engineer, Director of Public Works

**Presenters:** Don Elwood, Project Manager, Public Works

**Financial Impact** (Check those that apply)

No financial impact - or - Action is within current department budget.  
(If checked, go directly to Background/Supporting Information)

Action requires an appropriation increase to the Capital Budget

Action requires an appropriation increase to the Operating Budget

Action provides increased revenue for appropriation increase

Action requires use of contingency or reserves

Other financial impact (Explain):

Request provided to the Budget Office when provided to the Committee Coordinator

**Background/Supporting Information Attached:**

Project/Scope

- Chicago Avenue Streetscape is a continuation of the Lake Street Streetscape between Lake Street and 28<sup>th</sup> Street East on Chicago Avenue.
- Streetscape elements include street lights, trees and tree grates, trash receptacles, benches, bike racks, planters, fencing and other related items and work.
- Public Works has worked with affected property owners.

- Temporary and permanent easements are needed in a minimum of three locations for the screen fencing and plantings and the remainder of the project will be completed within the existing right of way. Therefore we are requesting authorization to negotiate with private property owners to acquire and execute easements and additional right of way.

Schedule, Costs and Funding

- The construction of this project is scheduled for 2005 and 2006.
- The estimated cost of this project is not to exceed \$1,212,512.00 and will be funded by ASSMB (Assessment Bonds).

The purpose of this action is to authorize Public Works to negotiate with private property owners to acquire and execute easements if necessary.

cc: Council Member Robert Lilligren, Ward 8  
Council Member Gary Schiff, Ward 9