



City of Columbia

701 East Broadway, Columbia, Missouri 65201

Department Source: Public Works

To: City Council

From: City Manager & Staff

Council Meeting Date: April 21, 2025

Re: Authorizing the acquisition of easements for construction of the Vandiver Drive (Oakland Gravel Road to Parker Street) sidewalk improvement project.

Executive Summary

Authorizing the acquisition of necessary easements for the construction of the Vandiver Drive (Oakland Gravel Road to Parker Street) sidewalk improvement project. An Interested Parties (IP) meeting was held on December 11, 2024 and a public hearing was held on February 3, 2025.

Discussion

The Vandiver Drive sidewalk project is located in northeast Columbia. The proposed sidewalk will run along the south side of Vandiver Drive. The project will start at the existing sidewalk near the Parker Street roundabout and end at the Oakland Gravel Road intersection. This sidewalk project will include construction of a 5-foot wide concrete sidewalk with a 3-foot wide grass parkway to fill in the sidewalk gap. The project will also include reconstruction of the driveway approaches to tie in with the proposed sidewalk. The signal at the Vandiver Drive and Oakland Gravel Road intersection will be improved to include a pedestrian sign and crosswalk for the pedestrians to cross Vandiver Drive. The sidewalk will be constructed such that it can be extended to the proposed trail along the COLT railroad, once it is constructed.

The interested parties meeting for this project was held on December 11, 2024 and the public hearing was held on February 3, 2025. Construction of the improvements are anticipated to be underway by the summer of 2026.

Acquisition of 15 temporary construction easements will be necessary for construction of the project.

The total project cost estimate for design, easement acquisition, and construction is \$682,415. MoDOT will fund up to 80% of the project cost with the Transportation Alternatives Program (TAP) funds with a not to exceed amount of \$400,000 and the City will fund the remaining match with the ¼ cent Capital Improvement Program (CIP) sales tax funds. Construction of the improvements are anticipated to be underway by the fall of 2025.

Fiscal Impact

Short-Term Impact: The City's funding match is estimated as \$282,415 and will be funded with the ¼-cent Capital Improvement Program (CIP) sales tax.

Long-Term Impact: Sidewalks will be maintained by the adjacent property owners.



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Strategic & Comprehensive Plan Impact

Strategic Plan Impacts:

Primary Impact: Reliable and Sustainable Infrastructure, Secondary Impact: Secondary, Tertiary Impact: Tertiary

Comprehensive Plan Impacts:

Primary Impact: Infrastructure, Secondary Impact: Mobility, Connectivity, and Accessibility, Tertiary Impact: Tertiary

Legislative History

Date	Action
02/03/2025	PH3-25 Proposed construction of a sidewalk along the south side of Vandiver Drive between Oakland Gravel Road and Parker Street.
01/06/2025	R1-25 Setting a public hearing: proposed construction of a sidewalk along the south side of Vandiver Drive between Oakland Gravel Road and Parker Street.
12/11/2024	Interested Parties Meeting
02/05/2024	R21-24 Authorizing a contract with McClure Engineering for design services relating to the construction of the Vandiver Drive (Oakland Gravel Road to Parker Street) sidewalk project.
12/04/2023	B289-23 Authorizing a transportation enhancement funds program agreement with the Missouri Highways and Transportation Commission for the Vandiver Drive (Oakland Gravel Road to Parker Street) sidewalk project.
08/21/2023	R121-23 Authorizing submission of a transportation alternatives funds program grant application with the Missouri Highways and Transportation Commission for construction of the Oakland Gravel Road (Blue Ridge Road to Smiley Lane) and Vandiver Drive (Oakland Gravel Road to Parker Street) sidewalk project.

Suggested Council Action

Authorize the acquisition of necessary easements for the construction of the Vandiver Drive (Oakland Gravel Road to Parker Street) sidewalk improvement project.