



Department Source: Public Works

To: City Council

From: City Manager & Staff

Council Meeting Date: February 20, 2023

Re: Administrative Public Improvement Project: Construction of a pedestrian island at the Ash Street mid-block crosswalk between 5th Street and 6th Street.

Executive Summary

This project proposes to construct a pedestrian island on the south side of Ash Street at the mid-block crosswalk between 5th Street and 6th Street. There is an existing mid-block crosswalk at this location that connects between the post office and their employee parking lot. The project is eligible for the administrative public improvement process as outlined on the attached form. Staff will proceed with construction unless Council wishes to follow the standard public improvement process.

Discussion

This project will include construction of a pedestrian island on the south side of Ash Street at the mid-block crosswalk between 5th Street and 6th Street. There is an existing mid-block crosswalk at this location that connects the post office on the south side of the road with their employee parking lot on the north side of the road. In the summertime there is a tree east of the crosswalk on the south side of the road that obstructs the view of the pedestrian crossing sign and the pedestrians waiting at the crosswalk. The construction of the pedestrian island will allow pedestrians to stand in the crosswalk by the island and the pedestrian crossing sign to be relocated to the island. This improvement will increase the visibility and awareness of pedestrians crossing the street for vehicles traveling eastbound on Ash Street.

The City term and supply contract will be used to construct the island and relocated the sign. The estimated construction cost is \$5,000 and will be paid for with street operations funds. Construction is planned for this spring. The Post Office has been contacted about the project and is in favor of construction of the island. This project meets the eligibility requirements to follow the administrative public improvement project.

Fiscal Impact

Short-Term Impact: The estimated total project cost is \$5,000 and will be funded by street operations funds.

Long-Term Impact: None



Strategic & Comprehensive Plan Impact

Strategic Plan Impacts:

Primary Impact: Reliable Infrastructure, Secondary Impact: Inclusive Community, Tertiary Impact: Tertiary

Comprehensive Plan Impacts:

Primary Impact: Infrastructure, Secondary Impact: Mobility, Connectivity, and Accessibility, Tertiary Impact: Livable & Sustainable Communities

Legislative History

Date	Action
N/A	N/A

Suggested Council Action

No action required unless Council wishes to direct the City Manager to follow the standard public improvement process.