



Department Source: Public Works

To: City Council

From: City Manager & Staff

Council Meeting Date: March 7, 2022

Re: Authorizing the Acquisition of Easements for the Construction of the North Stadium Sidewalk Project

Executive Summary

Staff is requesting council authorize the acquisition of necessary easements for the construction of a sidewalk along the west side of North Stadium Boulevard (Route E) in northwest Columbia. A virtual Interested Parties (IP) meeting was held from June 21, 2021 through July 2, 2021 and an in-person IP meeting was held on January 5, 2022. The public hearing was held on February 21, 2022.

Discussion

The North Stadium Sidewalk project design will include the following improvements:

- (a) Construction of a concrete sidewalk to fill in sidewalk gaps along the west side of North Stadium Boulevard (Route E) in northwest Columbia. The south end of the proposed sidewalk will start at the existing sidewalk at the Stadium overpass of Interstate 70. The north end of the proposed sidewalk will start at the existing sidewalk at the Break Time gas station.
- (b) Improvement of the pedestrian crosswalk at I-70 Drive Northwest and at Primrose Drive.
- (c) Construction of a pedestrian crosswalk across Stadium Boulevard north of Aaron Drive with a sidewalk connecting to the Cosmo Fitness trail.
- (d) Construction of a pedestrian crosswalk across Business Loop 70-West at Cosmo Park with a sidewalk along the south side of Business Loop 70-West connecting to the crosswalk at the Stadium Boulevard overpass of Interstate 70.
- (e) Construction of a sidewalk to fill in the sidewalk gap at the northwest corner of the Rose Drive and Stadium Boulevard intersection.
- (f) Construction of a sidewalk to fill in the sidewalk gap at the southwest corner of the Aaron Drive and Stadium Boulevard intersection.

Five (5) permanent sidewalk easements and seven (7) temporary construction easements will be necessary for the construction of the improvements.

The total preliminary cost estimate for this project (design, easements, and construction) is \$600,100. The project will be funded with the ¼-cent Capital Improvement Program sales tax.



The project is scheduled for construction in fall of 2022.

Fiscal Impact

Short-Term Impact: The total preliminary cost estimate for this project (design, easements, and construction) is \$600,100. The project will be funded with the ¼-cent Capital Improvement Program sales tax.

Long-Term Impact: Routine maintenance.

Strategic & Comprehensive Plan Impact

Strategic Plan Impacts:

Primary Impact: Reliable Infrastructure, Secondary Impact: Safe Neighborhoods, Tertiary Impact: Resilient Economy

Comprehensive Plan Impacts:

Primary Impact: Infrastructure, Secondary Impact: Land Use & Growth Management, Tertiary Impact: Mobility, Connectivity, and Accessibility

Legislative History

Date	Action
02/21/2022	PH6-22 Proposed construction of portions of sidewalk, pedestrian crossings and pedestrian crosswalks along the west side of North Stadium Boulevard (Route E) between the I-70 overpass and Cottle Drive.
01/18/2022	R7-22 Setting a public hearing: proposed construction of portions of sidewalk, pedestrian crossings and pedestrian crosswalks along the west side of North Stadium Boulevard (Route E) between the I-70 overpass and Cottle Drive.
01/05/2022	In-person IP meeting held.
06/21/2021 through 07/02/2021 12/21/2022	Virtual IP meeting held

Suggested Council Action

Authorize the acquisition of easements for the construction of North Stadium Sidewalk Project.