

City of Columbia

701 East Broadway, Columbia, Missouri 65201

Department Source: Public Works

To: City Council

From: City Manager & Staff

Council Meeting Date: June 15, 2020

Re: Authorizing the Acquisition of Necessary Easements for Construction of the Lenoir Street

Improvement project

Executive Summary

Authorize the acquisition of necessary easements for construction of the Lenoir Street Improvement project. An Interested Parties (IP) meeting for this project was held on October 3, 2019 and the public hearing for the project was held on June 1, 2020.

Discussion

The Lenoir Street Improvement project includes realigning and widening approximately 1,200 linear feet of the existing two-lane unimproved roadway. The realignment will include reducing the curve radius at the connection with Discovery Drive with Lenoir Street. The reconstructed roadway will include two driving lanes, bike lanes, and a two-way left turn lane. An eight-foot wide sidewalk/pedway will be constructed on the east side of the roadway and a five-foot wide sidewalk will be constructed on the west side of the roadway. Finally, street lighting, stormwater improvements, and utility relocations will be completed.

After the June 1, 2020 public hearing, Council directed Staff to proceed with final plans and specifications. One permanent drainage easement and five temporary construction easements are needed from two property owners for construction of the project. A Right of Way plan showing the proposed design and easements is attached.

The total project cost estimate for the Lenoir Street Improvement project is \$1,193,900. The total project cost includes design, easement acquisition, utility relocation, and construction. The funding source is the ABC Labs Tax Credit and 1/4% Capital Improvement Program (CIP) Sales Tax. ABC Laboratories has been receiving tax credits through the Missouri Development Finance Board since 2007. This funding is for the construction of a portion of Lenoir Street as part of an overall project for the road system for Discovery Ridge Research Park and Gans Road area.

The project is scheduled for construction in spring of 2021.

Fiscal Impact

Short-Term Impact: The estimated total project cost for the Lenoir Street Improvement project is \$1,193,900. The funding source is the ABC Labs Tax Credit and 1/4% Capital Improvement Program (CIP) sales tax.

Long-Term Impact: Routine maintenance.



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Vision & Strategic Plan Impact

Strategic Plan Impacts:

Primary Impact: Infrastructure, Secondary Impact: Public Safety, Tertiary Impact: Economy

Comprehensive Plan Impacts:

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

Tertiary Impact: Economic Development

Legislative History

| Date | Action |
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| 06/01/2020 | PH19-20 Proposed construction of the Lenoir Street Improvement project. |
| 05/04/2020 | R57-20 Setting a public hearing for the construction of the proposed Lenoir Street Improvement project. |
| 10/03/2019 | IP meeting held |
| 04/22/2008 | Ord. 19870 Changing the name of Lenoir Street within the Discovery Ridge University Research Park to Discovery Drive and changing the name of the new extension of Gans Road to Discovery Parkway. |
| 04/17/2007 | R101-07 Authorizing an agreement with Analytical Bio-Chemistry Laboratories, Inc. for assignment of tax credits for construction reimbursement of Lenoir. |

Suggested Council Action

Authorize the acquisition of easements for the construction of the Lenoir Street Improvement project.