

City of Columbia

701 East Broadway, Columbia, Missouri 65201

Department Source: Public Works

To: City Council

From: City Manager & Staff

Council Meeting Date: November 15, 2021

Re: Public Hearing; Proposed Construction of the Audubon Drive Sidewalk Project.

Executive Summary

A public hearing is being held to consider the proposed construction of the Audubon Drive sidewalk project. The preliminary design includes construction of a sidewalk on the west side of Audubon Drive, between Azalea Drive and Shepard Boulevard. An Interested Parties (IP) meeting was held in Conference Room 1A of City Hall on September 28, 2021.

Discussion

The Audubon Drive sidewalk project preliminary design includes construction of 1,260 linear feet of sidewalk along the west side of Audubon Drive to fill in the sidewalk gap between Azalea Drive and Shepard Boulevard. The preliminary design includes a 5-foot wide concrete sidewalk with a 3-foot (3') grass parkway between Azalea Drive and Mallard Court and a 6-foot (6') wide concrete sidewalk at the back of curb between Mallard Court and Shepard Boulevard. Eight (8) new driveway approaches will be reconstructed and a new stormwater inlet will be installed.

An IP meeting was held in Conference Room 1A of City Hall on September 28, 2021. Two (2) residents attended the meeting. Four (4) written comments have been received, three (3) stating the property owners are against the project, and one (1) property owner supports the project.

Temporary construction easements are anticipated to be acquired for this project and construction is currently scheduled to be completed during the summer of 2022. The estimated total project cost for this sidewalk is \$300,000 (includes design, easement acquisition, and construction). Funding for this project is from the ½-cent Capital Improvement Program (CIP) Sales Tax.

Fiscal Impact

Short-Term Impact: The estimated total project cost for the sidewalk is \$300,000 and will be funded the ¼-cent Capital Improvement Program (CIP) sales tax.

Long-Term Impact: Routine maintenance

Strategic & Comprehensive Plan Impact

Strategic Plan Impacts:

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

Impact: Tertiary



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Comprehensive Plan Impacts:

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

Tertiary Impact: Not Applicable

Legislative History	
Date	Action
10/18/2021	R161-21 Setting a public hearing: proposed construction of a sidewalk on the west side of Audubon Drive between Azalea Drive and Shepard Boulevard.

Suggested Council Action

After the public hearing and council discussion, direct staff to proceed with final construction plans and specifications for the construction of the Audubon Drive sidewalk project.