

City of Columbia

701 East Broadway, Columbia, Missouri 65201

Department Source: Public Works

To: City Council From: City Manager & Staff

Council Meeting Date: July 17, 2023

Re: Public Hearing: Proposed Construction and Repair of Sidewalks and Replacement of Curb Ramps Along Portions of Rollins Street, Burnam Avenue, Kentucky Boulevard, Curtis Avenue, Richmond Avenue, and Tiger Avenue.

Executive Summary

Public hearing for the construction of new sidewalk, repair of existing sidewalk, and replacement of curb ramps in Greek Town along Rollins Street, Burnam Avenue, Kentucky Boulevard, Curtis Avenue, Richmond Avenue, and Tiger Avenue near the University of Missouri campus. The Interested Parties (IP) meeting was held on August 10, 2022. The construction cost estimate for this project is \$334,200.

Discussion

The University of Missouri Fraternity and Sorority Life approached the City requesting to do a cost share to complete the construction of new sidewalk, repair of existing sidewalk, and replacement of curb ramps along Rollins Street, Burnam Avenue, Kentucky Boulevard, Curtis Avenue, Richmond Avenue, and Tiger Avenue. This area is adjacent to the University of Missouri campus and is known as Greek Town due to the properties mainly consisting of fraternities and sororities.

The project will include the following:

- Constructing new sidewalk along Curtis Avenue where there are sidewalk gaps.
- Repairing existing sidewalk sections and curb ramps that are not in compliance with the Americans with Disabilities Act along Rollins Street, Burnam Avenue, Kentucky Boulevard, Curtis Avenue, Richmond Avenue, and Tiger Avenue.

The interested parties meeting was held on August 10, 2022. Nineteen citizens signed in as attending the meeting and two written comments were received. Comments were generally in favor of the project. Six permanent sidewalk easements and two temporary construction easements have been donated to complete the construction of the project. Construction for the project is anticipated to be completed during the summer of 2024.

The construction estimate for the improvements is \$334,200. The project will be funded through a cost share between the City and the University of Missouri. The City will fund its portion of the cost share from the ¹/₄-cent Capital Improvement Program (CIP) sales tax.



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Fiscal Impact

Short-Term Impact: The City's estimated contribution for the project cost share is \$167,100 and will be funded from the ¹/₄-cent Capital Improvement Program (CIP) sales tax. Long-Term Impact: Per ordinance, sidewalk is to be maintained by the adjacent property owner.

Strategic & Comprehensive Plan Impact

Strategic Plan Impacts:

Primary Impact: Reliable Infrastructure, Secondary Impact: Safe Neighborhoods, Tertiary Impact: Not Applicable

Comprehensive Plan Impacts:

Primary Impact: Infrastructure, Secondary Impact: Mobility, Connectivity, and Accessibility, Tertiary Impact: Not Applicable

Legislative History	
Date	Action
06/20/2023	R94-23 – Setting a public hearing: proposed construction and repair of sidewalks and replacement of curb ramps along portions of Rollins Street, Burnam Avenue, Kentucky Boulevard, Curtis Avenue, Richmond Avenue, and Tiger Avenue.

Suggested Council Action

Approve the construction of new sidewalk, repair of existing sidewalk, and replacement of curb ramps along Rollins Street, Burnam Avenue, Kentucky Boulevard, Curtis Avenue, Richmond Avenue, and Tiger Avenue.