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ITEM 46

CITY COUNCIL COMMUNICATION 97-405  
AUGUST 4, 1997 AGENDA

SUBJECT:	TYPE:	SUBMITTED BY:
SOUTHWEST FIFTH STREET BRIDGE EXTENSION OF CONTRACT— REAP/HRDP GRANT	◆ RESOLUTION ORDINANCE RECEIVE/FILE	JAMES GRANT COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT DIRECTOR

**SYNOPSIS —**

On January 2, 1996, by Roll Call No. 96-107, Council approved a contract with the State Historical Society of Iowa for Historical Resource Development Program (HRDP) grant funds in the amount of \$12,110. The funds are to be used for repairing the SW 5th Street Bridge as a part of the bikeway system. As a part of the SW 5th Street Bridge Rehabilitation Project, Council also signed a contract with the Iowa Department of Transportation (IDOT) for \$100,000 in Intermodal Surface Transportation Enhancement Act (ISTEA) funds and appropriated \$10,000 of Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) funds to be used in renovation of the bridge.

The grant term for the HRDP funds will expire December 31, 1997. Due to time delays with the bidding of the ISTEA funds, work on the bridge may not be completed until spring of 1998. The State Historical Society of Iowa has agreed to issue a new contract keeping the scope of work and budget the same but extending the contract deadline until July 14, 1999.

**FISCAL IMPACT —**

Construction funds in the amount of \$122,110 have been secured from HRDP, ISTEA, and CDBG. The engineer costs of \$21,443 were funded through the CIP Raccoon River Trail Account.

**RECOMMENDATION —**

Approval of the new HRDP grant with an expiration date of July 14, 1999.

**BACKGROUND —**

Renovation of the historic SW 5th Street Bridge over the Raccoon River will preserve this unique structure for practical use as a footbridge and as a link in the Raccoon River Bike Trail. Past maintenance efforts will be enhanced and expanded to the extent permitted by available funds.

Consulting for the engineering portion of this project has been completed. The project will be let by the IDOT in September. Work should begin and be completed on the bridge in Spring 1998.