



Legislation Text

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**CITY COUNCIL AGENDA ITEM**

**ACTION REQUESTED:**

Pass the ordinance approving an agreement for the purchase and sale of real property and grant of temporary construction easement for 430 S. Washington Street

**DEPARTMENT:** Transportation, Engineering and Development

**SUBMITTED BY:** William J Novack, Director/City Engineer

**BOARD/COMMISSION REVIEW:**

N/A

**BACKGROUND:**

The City must replace the downtown Washington Street bridge over the west branch of the DuPage River due to its poor structural condition. This comprehensive project includes the following components:

1. Complete removal and replacement of the bridge and its supports
2. Replacement of the sanitary sewer siphon under the river on the west side of the bridge
3. Installation of a new watermain under the river on the east side of the bridge
4. Installation of an electric duct bank under the river on the east side of the bridge
5. Relocation by AT&T of their existing "long-line" duct package hanging from the bottom of the bridge to an underground package on the east side of the bridge
6. Addition of right-turn lanes for southbound Washington Street at Aurora Avenue and for eastbound Aurora Avenue at Washington Street

Construction of this work will take two years and will be completed one half at a time.

In the first stage the east side of the existing bridge will be demolished and the east half of the new bridge along with all utilities and other work on the east side will be completed. Before the second stage can begin, AT&T will need to splice and cut over their duct package. This process itself will take up to three months.

After AT&T completes their work the west half of the bridge and elements on that side will be constructed.

**DISCUSSION:**

To complete this work, the City must acquire property and easements from six different private property owners. The new bridge will be wider than the existing one, with the additional width being placed on the east side. North Central College owns the property at 430 S. Washington Street, located at the southeast quadrant of the bridge. The City needs both property and a temporary

construction easement from the North Central for the project. The property being acquired will be used for the additional bridge width. North Central is also granting a temporary construction easement on the balance of their property that the contractor will be allowed to use for staging of materials and equipment.

The City is compensating North Central College \$82,350 for the property being permanently acquired and \$73,806 for the temporary easement. Additionally, through an earlier easement grant and this agreement the City is committing to construct the park at 430 S. Washington Street after completion of the bridge project. The City has a grant through the State of Illinois for most of the cost of the park.

**FISCAL IMPACT:**

Total costs for the land and temporary easement are \$156,156