

City Council Communication

AGENDA DATE: September 15, 2025 LEGISTAR ITEM #: Ord 2721

PRESENTER: Theresa Wilson DEPARTMENT: Finance

REQUEST

Approve an ordinance recognizing new revenue in the form of a \$325,000 transfer from the Urban Renewal Authority (URA) and appropriating said funding within the Capital Expenditures Fund for use on the completion of the 72nd Place and Monaco Street Intersection Improvement Project. The information contained in this communication is similar to companion items proposed for City Council and URA Board approval on September 15, 2025, a resolution related to the construction contract requiring City Council approval and a budget ordinance to amend the URA budget to authorize the transfer of \$325,000 to the City requiring URA Board approval.

BACKGROUND

The 72nd Place and Monaco Street intersection has been identified as an area needing infrastructure, maintenance and safety improvements. Pavement conditions have steadily declined, the existing drainage system is undersized for current stormwater demands, and inadequate street lighting has contributed to visibility and safety concerns. These deficiencies have been repeatedly noted in staff assessments and raised by residents during neighborhood input sessions.

The need for improvements was first highlighted in the City's Transportation Master Plan and later reaffirmed in the Derby Business District Urban Renewal Plan, which prioritized critical intersections for reinvestment to support redevelopment and neighborhood vitality. In 2023, City Council directed staff to pursue preliminary design and cost estimates for the CIP project.

Public Works has since taken a series of related actions to advance this project, including:

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- Hosting a Public Neighborhood Meeting at the Yellow Rose Event Center on 3/25/2024 to highlight preliminary design concepts and receive public feedback regarding the design.
- Completion of design utilizing funding through the Capital Investment Program in 2023.
- Authorizing coordination with the City to identify potential supplemental funding.

In alignment with these actions, City staff issued a formal Invitation for Bids (IFB) on July 9, 2025. After evaluating all five (5) submittals, Mid City Corporation was identified as the lowest responsive and responsible bidder. Their scope of work includes drainage system upgrades, resurfacing of the intersection, and installation of modern lighting to meet current City standards.

The City currently has \$383,504.63 budgeted for this project. This amount along with the \$325,000 transfer from the URA will cover the contract award of \$579,737.99, which includes a 10% project contingency, and related costs such as materials testing and inspection, construction management, public art funding. This funding approach will allow construction to proceed in a single phase, minimizing disruption to residents and ensuring timely delivery of the improvements.

Mid-City Corporation was selected as the successful bidder for project following a competitive procurement process. Completion of this project will improve safety, extend the lifespan of public infrastructure, and fulfill the City and the URA's commitment to strategic reinvestment in Derby's transportation network.

FINANCIAL IMPACT

Contractor	Mid City Corporation	
Amount of Request/Contract	\$579,737.99 (contract only)	
Amount Not To Exceed	\$579,737.99 (contract only)	
Amount Budgeted	\$383,504.63	
Budget Year	FY2025	
Funding Source	City Capital Project funds and URA	
_	Derby Plan Area funds	

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Additional Funds Needed	\$\$325,000 to cover remaining
	\$196,233.36 (contract) +
	\$128,766.64 (related costs)
Funding Source (if funds needed)	City Capital Expenditures Funds +
	URA Derby Plan Area Funds

PROJECT TIMELINE

Estimated Start Date	Estimated End Date
October 15, 2025	December 15, 2025
Years and Months of Contract	Number of Times Renewable
0 years 2 months	N/A

JUSTIFICATION

□Council Goal	⊠Strategic Plan	□Work Plan	□Legal
Citation	The need for improvements was first highlighted in the Derby Business District Urban Renewal Plan (2009), which prioritized critical intersections for reinvestment to support redevelopment and neighborhood vitality, and later reaffirmed in the City's Transportation Master Plan (2010).		

BOARDS & COMMISSIONS ASSIGNED

Board or Commission	Urban Renewal Authority Board
Recommendation	Anticipated approval
Date of Recommendation	September 15, 2025

PUBLIC OUTREACH

A Public Neighborhood Meeting was held at the Yellow Rose Event Center on 3/25/2024 to highlight preliminary design concepts and receive public feedback regarding the design. Positive feedback was given about the project overall.

AVAILABLE ACTIONS

- Available Action #1. Approve Ordinance as Submitted.
- Available Action #2. Approve with Conditions or Amendments.

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- Available Action #3. Continue the Item for Further Review. This action would postpone award of the contract and could impact the project timeline.
- Available Action #4. Take No Action / Maintain Status Quo. City Council may decline to approve the ordinance and not move forward with the project.

STAFF RECOMMENDATION

Staff recommends Action #1 – Approve the Ordinance as Submitted.