### City of Columbia

701 East Broadway, Columbia, Missouri 65201



Agenda Item Number: B 138-15

Department Source: Public Works

To: City Council

From: City Manager & Staff Council Meeting Date: 6/1/2015

Re: Bid Call for Avenue of the Columns, Phase III Sidewalk and Intersection Project

#### **Documents Included With This Agenda Item**

Council Memo, Resolution/Ordinance

Supporting documentation includes: Map

#### **Executive Summary**

Authorizing a call for bids through the Purchasing Division to construct sidewalk and other improvements along the Avenue of the Columns from Walnut Street to Cherry Street, as shown on the attached location map. An Interested Parties (IP) meeting was held on November 11, 2014 and a Public Hearing was held on January 20, 2015.

#### Discussion

The Avenue of the Columns project was developed through a 2005 downtown master plan created to establish a unique corridor on Eighth Street from Walnut Street to Elm Street. The intent is to link the historic columns at the courthouse square to the columns cast in the Francis Quadrangle foreground of Jesse Hall, serving to remind us of the important relationship between Columbia and the University of Missouri. The first phase of the project was built when the City Hall project was completed and the second phase was completed in 2012.

The current phase includes reconstruction of sidewalks on Eighth Street, from the south side of Walnut Street to the north side of Cherry Street, except the portions previously constructed; closure of any vaults under the sidewalks, and removal of the canopy on the east side of the Eighth Street along the Walnut Street Plaza parking garage. In addition, the existing traffic signals at the intersection of Walnut and Eighth streets will be removed and a stop sign will be installed on Walnut Street to control northbound traffic at the intersection. Decorative "bump outs" will also be constructed at the intersections to reduce the pedestrian crossing distance and improve safety.

#### **Fiscal Impact**

Short-Term Impact: The estimated cost for construction of this project is \$882,930 and will be funded by the CIP Sales Tax and the Public Improvement Fund.

Long-Term Impact: There is no anticipated long-term fiscal impact for this project since the sidewalk is the responsibility of the adjacent landowners.

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#### Vision, Strategic & Comprehensive Plan Impact

Vision Impact: Downtown, Transportation

Strategic Plan Impact: Economic Development, Infrastructure

Comprehensive Plan Impact: Infrastructure, Mobility, Connectivity, and Accessibility, Economic

Development, Livable & Sustainable Communities

#### **Suggested Council Action**

Approve the legislation authorizing a bid call through the Purchasing Division for the construction of sidewalk and intersection improvements along Eighth Street between Walnut Street and Cherry Street as part of the Avenue of the Columns, Phase III project.

#### **Legislative History**

1/20/15 (R228-14) - Public Hearing

11/11/14 - Interested Parties Meeting

**9/2/14** (R161-14) - Supplemental agreement w/TH&H for additional design work for Avenue of the Columns streetscape project.

**11/18/13** (R236-13) - Agreement w/TH&H for Ave of the Columns streetscape project.

**9/3/13** (R174-13) - Authorizing City Manager to apply for tax credits through the MO Development Finance Board relating to streetscape improvements.

**2/18/13** (Ord 21616) - Appropriating tax credit revenues for future improvements to the Avenue of the Columns streetscape project.

**8/6/12** (R129-12) - Authorizing Amendment #3 to agreement with Jeffrey L. Bruce and Company for landscape architectural services relating to the Avenue of the Columns streetscape project.

**4/18/11** (Ord 20937) - Bid Call through Purchasing to construct Avenue of the Columns streetscape project along Broadway and Eighth Street.

**2/21/11** (R18-11) - Setting a Public Hearing for construction of Avenue of the Columns streetscape project along Broadway and Eighth Street.

**12/20/11** (R258-10) - Adopting a list of high priority improvement projects; requesting federal assistance.

**4/20/09** (R89-09) - Authorizing the City Manager to apply to MoDOT for Surface Transportation Enhancement funds under the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act (ARRA) of 2009.

2/16/09 (R45-09) - Authorizing Amendment #2 to the agreement with Jeffrey L. Bruce & Company, for professional landscape architectural services relating to the City Hall Plaza and Streetscape project.

**3/7/08** (R58-08) - Authorizing tax credit agreement with MO Development Finance Board relating to streetscape improvements.

3/3/08 (R45-08) - Authorizing Amendment #1 to the agreement with Jeffrey L. Bruce & Company for professional landscape architectural services relating to the City Hall Plaza and Streetscape project.

**1/22/08** (R17-08) - Authorizing the City Manager to apply for tax credits to MO Development Finance Board for streetscape improvements.

**9/6/05** (Ord 18679) - Authorizing the agreement with Jeffrey L. Bruce & Company for consulting services for downtown redevelopment strategy and implementation plan.

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**6/2/03** (Ord 17717) - Authorizing an agreement with Jeffrey L. Bruce & Company to create a master plan for the preservation and development of Eighth Street.

Department Approved

City Manager Approved

Introduced by		_
First Reading	Second Reading	
Ordinance No.	Council Bill No.	B 138-15

#### **AN ORDINANCE**

determining it is in the public interest to construct the Avenue of the Columns streetscape project along Eighth Street, between Walnut Street and Cherry Street; approving and adopting plans and specifications; determining that the work shall be done by contract; calling for bids through the Purchasing Division; providing for payment for the improvement; authorizing the City Manager to obtain, execute and record all documents necessary for the improvement; providing for compliance with the prevailing wage law and state-mandated construction safety training; and fixing the time when this ordinance shall become effective.

WHEREAS, the City Council adopted a resolution declaring the necessity of constructing the Avenue of the Columns streetscape project along Eighth Street, between Walnut Street and Cherry Street; and

WHEREAS, the notice of a public hearing on this project was published in a daily newspaper of general circulation in the city; and

WHEREAS, the City Council has held a public hearing on construction of the improvement.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF COLUMBIA, MISSOURI, AS FOLLOWS:

SECTION 1. The Council finds that the construction of the Avenue of the Columns streetscape project along Eighth Street between Walnut Street and Cherry Street, all in accordance with the City of Columbia Street and Storm Sewer Specifications and Standards, in the City of Columbia, Missouri, is necessary for the welfare and improvement of the city and that it is in the public interest that such improvements be made. Specific improvements include the reconstruction of sidewalks, closure of vaults under sidewalks, removal of the canopy on the east side of the Eighth and Walnut Plaza garage, removal of the traffic signals and installation of a stop sign at the intersection of Walnut Street and Eighth Street, and the construction of decorative bump outs on the north side of Walnut Street to improve pedestrian safety.

SECTION 2. The plans and specifications for this improvement, as prepared by the Director of Public Works, are hereby approved and made a part of this ordinance by reference.

SECTION 3. The construction of the improvement shall be done by contract in accordance with the plans and specifications, the laws of the State of Missouri, and the Charter and Ordinances of the City of Columbia, Missouri.

SECTION 4. The Purchasing Agent is hereby authorized to call for bids and execute a contract for the improvement.

SECTION 5. Payment for this improvement shall be made from Capital Improvement Sales Tax Funds, public improvement funds and such other funds as may be lawfully appropriated.

SECTION 6. The City Manager is authorized to obtain, execute and have recorded all licenses, easements, deeds and any other conveyances or instruments necessary for the City to complete this improvement.

SECTION 7. The contract for the improvement shall provide that not less than the prevailing hourly rate of wages, as found by the Department of Labor and Industrial Relations of Missouri, shall be paid to all workers performing work under the contract. The contractor's bond shall guarantee the faithful performance of the prevailing hourly wage clause in the contract.

SECTION 8. The bid specifications and contract for the improvement shall provide that the contractor and any subcontractor shall provide a ten-hour Occupational Safety and Health Administration construction safety program (or a similar program approved by the Missouri Department of Labor and Industrial Relations) for all employees working on-site. All employees working on the site of the improvement are required to complete the safety program within 60 days of beginning work on the improvement project.

	ordinance shall	be in full force and effect from and	after its
passage. PASSED this	day of	, 2015.	
ATTEST:			
City Clerk		Mayor and Presiding Officer	
APPROVED AS TO FORM	:	wayor and residing officer	
City Counselor			

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# SUPPORTING DOCUMENTS INCLUDED WITH THIS AGENDA ITEM ARE AS FOLLOWS:

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