



CITY OF INDIANOLA COUNCIL STUDY MEETING

September 18, 2023

6:00 PM

City Council Chambers

110 N 1st St, Indianola, IA Minutes

Discussion regarding the South K Street Paving Project

City Manager Ben Reeves discussed reconstruction options for South K Street. Dave Moeller, Snyder and Associates, answered technical questions. The discussion included:

- A rural design standard.
- Factors for Consideration - development pressure, traffic operations, dust control, multimodal.
- Construction Method Options - concrete v asphalt; rural v urban design; sanitary sewer for growth; storm drainage system
- Discussed potential development (226 new dwelling units)
- Engineering and staff recommendations - make a rural collector design standard that corrects the deficiencies in the storm drainage system, keep it a collector road and not make it an arterial road; improve South K and Hwy 92 intersection; use asphalt with 10-15 years of useful life; use existing topography; do not install sanitary sewer; and widen the shoulder for bike/walking lane; put in 12" subbase and 3-4" of asphalt. Construction costs would be roughly \$3.66 million.
- Stated some other options with estimate of costs.
- Explained cost breakdown of recommended option.
- The remaining funding that had been allocated to South K could be used on Orchard Lane, Kentucky & Jefferson intersection, other unpaved roads, new public works building, or other projects we could do in conjunction with IMU. Recommendation that Council should wait until bids are received before dedicating funds to another project.
- Discussed the impact of the proposed design on IMU.
- Discussed next steps - revise engineering/design and create a rural design standard in our code during Sept/Oct; restart the legal assessment process Oct-Dec; bid letting in February; construction in 2024.
- Discussed the assessment amounts and noted that while the assessment amount may go down, the percentage of the project covered by the assessments will likely go up. A lot of the changes are things that residents were never going to be assessed on. Individual discussions with property owners will occur over the winter.

Barb Yearous, 1301 South K St, requested more information on conditional deficiencies and driveway access during construction.

The study session adjourned at 6:59 PM.