



MEMORANDUM

To: Mayor Pat Fribis and the Board of Aldermen

From: Gerald Brown, Parks & Recreation Director

Date: March 1, 2022

Re: Pedestrian Bridge/shared use trail

As you may recall, The City of Sunset Hills, Kirkwood and Fenton applied for a Special Municipal Parks Grant for the design and construction of a pedestrian/shared use trail connecting the new bridge MoDOT is constructing over the Meramec River back in February, 2018. The Cities signed a joint agreement in June, 2018 and awarded Intuition & Logic as or design/engineering firm in April, 2019.

Back in March, 2021 the Municipal Parks Grant commission agreed to fund the additional amount from the estimates and the total project cost is \$1,306,589.78.

We are currently at 100% final plan review; project has been approved by MoDOT and went out for bid; bids have come back at \$369,547.99 over estimates. These were based on the following items: Excavation items, mobilization, electrical requests, signage and overall roadway requirements came in higher than estimates; however, MoDOT feels that these are acceptable numbers based on the current construction environment at this time. As you may recall the project includes the landings on both sides of the river when exiting from the new pedestrian bridge that was paid for by MoDOT and GRG. The landings will include small rest areas on both sides that include benches, small pavilions, charging stations, bike racks and landscaping.

Last week I met with the Municipal Parks Grant Commission, and they have agreed to allocate additional funds and cover the additional amount for construction. The City of Sunset Hills is the lead on the project and we are requesting permission to enter into new agreement with the Municipal League for a total of \$1,725,000; (in which the city will be entirely reimbursed, to date the city has already been reimbursed for \$1,306,589.78) and authorize the city to extend agreement and make payment with Modot for an additional \$369,547.99 for the construction of this project. The remaining \$48,862.23 will be for incidentals from MoDOT if needed.