

March 5, 2015

To: Mayor Bemrich and City Council

From: David Fierke, City Manager

Subject: Streetscape Plans for 2015



ACTION: WORKSHOP: Monday, March 9, 2015

Brief History

We have met over the winter with partners and experts to improve the landscape and streetscape investments along the corridor.

Analysis of Issue

See attached analysis.

Budget Impact

This budget is supported with LOST, TIF, SSMID, RUT and General Fund allocation.

Strategic Plan Impact

Policy B.1.22

The maintenance and expansion of all parks and facilities shall be a priority.

Staff Conclusions / Recommendations

Alternatives

Implementation and Accountability

Landscape by the Parks, Recreation and Forestry Department and streetscape by Public Works. Partners include the Fort Dodge Correctional Facility, PICA and master Gardner representatives.

Signed

Approved

Lori Branderhorst
Director of Parks and Recreation

David Fierke
City Manager

**Corridor Maintenance
2015
Revision March 5, 2015**

After completing a summer evaluation of the current conditions of the landscaping areas on our corridor as well as bringing in experts to discuss plant selections and proper maintenance; the following is recommendations for 2015...keep it simple, uniform and easy to maintain.

5th Avenue South

Perimeter plants and shrubs – leave as is. Plant selection is correct.

- Data to collect
 - Yearly replacement budget – Lori

Plaza plants, shrubs and trees – leave as is. Plant selection is correct. Need additional plants added.

- Data to collect
 - Yearly replacement budget – Lori
 - Number of replacement
 - Add Virginia creeper for the fence line - PICA
 - Add Winter creeper for ground cover - PICA
 - Add Sedum Matron, Salvia, Stella Day Lilies where needed – PICA

Perimeter trees – any replacement trees need to be of a different variety. Forestry Department will decide among diverse species of Column Maple, Ivory Silk Lilac, Japanese Lilac, Bradford Pear.

- Data to collect
 - Yearly replacement budget – Lori

Medians – plant Karl Forester and Stella Day Lilies

- Data to collect
 - Number of plants per bed
 - Soil amendment costs - City

FOMS (8th Avenue South)

Plaza plants, shrubs and trees – leave as is. Plant selection is correct. Need some additional plants added.

- Data to collect
 - Yearly replacement budget – Lori
 - Number of replacement plants - Lori
 - Add Virginia creeper for the fence line – PICA
 - Add Winter creeper for ground cover - PICA
 - Add Sedum Matron, Salvia, Stella Day Lilies where needed - PICA
- Parade Art
 - Grow petunias/annuals – Prison
 - Plant - PICA

Medians (top of 5th Avenue South) – leave as is with trees, turf, bushes and mulch

- Data to collect
 - Replacement budget – Lori

Medians (triangle) – plant with wave petunias

- Data to collect
 - Number of plants

Highway 169 – leave as is.

Plaza plants, shrubs and trees – leave as is. Plant selection is correct. Need some additional plants added.

- Data to collect
 - Yearly replacement budget – Lori
 - Number of replacement plants - Lori
 - Add Virginia creeper for the fence line - PICA
 - Add Winter creeper for ground cover - PICA
 - Add Sedum Matron, Salvia, Stella Day Lilies where needed - PICA

North 32nd Street – plant wave petunias

- Data to collect
 - Number of plants

Round-about – leave Karl Foresters and add two beds of Stella Day Lilies, sedum and sedum ground cover

- Data to collect
 - Meet with master Gardner
- Number of plants orders
- Triangles – remove soil and brick

Special Notes –

- All plantings to occur the first two weeks in May
- Have all work planned this winter for the brick work to take place by PW when weather breaks.
- Yvonne McCormick will educate PICA and prison on care of plant types and what each plant looks like.
- Develop a standard work manual.
- Turf along corridor is not addressed. It is the maintenance responsibility of adjacent business owners.
- MOU with FDCF on labor along corridor

5th Avenue South - Perimeter

Responsible Party	Activity	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	June	July	Aug	Sept	Oct	Nov	Dec
PRF	Spray weeds				X			X			X		
PICA	Cutting grasses				X								
PICA	Trimming bushes				X						X		
PICA	Plant replacement perennials					X							
PICA	Mulch landscape					X					X		
PICA	Trash pick up				XXXX	XXXX	XXXX	XXXX	XXXX	XXXX	XXXX		
PICA	Manual weed control					XXXX	XXXX	XXXX	XXXX	XXXX	XXXX		
PICA	Tree pruning				X					X			
PRF	Tree planting/replacement				X						X		
PT PW/PRF	Mowing				XX	XX	XX	XX	XX	XX	XX		
PW	Watering					XXXX	XXXX	XXXX	XXXX	XX	XX		
PW	Light poles					X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X

5th Avenue South - Plazas

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5th Avenue South - Medians

Responsible Party	Activity	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	June	July	Aug	Sept	Oct	Nov	Dec
Contractor	Irrigation (FOMS)				x						x		
Prison	Spray weeds				x			x			x		
Prison	Cutting grasses				x								
Prison	Trimming bushes				x						x		
Prison	Plant replacement perennials					x							
Prison	Mulch landscape					x					x		
Prison	Trash pick up				xxxx	xxxx	xxxx	xxxx	xxxx	xxxx	xxxx		
Prison	Manual weed control					xxxx	xxxx	xxxx	xxxx	xxxx	xxxx		
Prison	Tree pruning				x					x			
PT PW/PRF	Mowing				xx	xx	xx	xx	xx	xx	xx		
PW	Watering					xxxx	xxxx	xxxx	xxxx	xx	xx		
PW	Debris removal of sand/rock				x	x			x	x			

5th Ave S and S 8th Street

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Highway 169 - Plaza's

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North 32nd Street - Shimkat

Responsible Party	Activity	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	June	July	Aug	Sept	Oct	Nov	Dec
PW	Debris removal of sand/rock				x	x			x	x			

Round-a-bout

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