

LRB – RESEARCH AND ANALYSIS SECTION

PUBLIC WORK COMMITTEE
ITEM 31, FILE #080846

OCTOBER 15, 2008

File #080846 authorizes the execution of a Cost Sharing Agreement between the City and the City of Mequon for the replacement of the West County Line Structure over the Little Menomonee River in the 9th Aldermanic District. The existing concrete rigid frame culvert, built in 1917, will be replaced with a bridge meeting current standards and hydraulic requirements. The estimated total costs of this project are \$725,000, with funding percentages for both municipalities based upon a jurisdictional line which theoretically splits the project in equal halves.

File #080846 further authorizes funding for preliminary engineering and real estate related costs on the project, with the City share being \$62,500 of the total estimated \$125,000. Construction funding will be requested in a future resolution.

BACKGROUND

The West County Line Structure, a box culvert, over the Little Menomonee River was constructed in 1917 and is in need of replacement as a result of advanced structural deterioration. The City of Milwaukee and the City of Mequon share jurisdictional ownership of the structure and will share in design and construction costs for the replacement bridge. The City of Milwaukee will be the lead agency of the project design and construction.

Design plans are scheduled to be completed in the Fall of 2009 and advance to the construction contract bidding process. The project is scheduled for let in the Spring of 2010 with construction commencing in the Summer of 2010.

The Common Council of the City of Mequon adopted resolution 2815, ‘Cost Share for Box Culvert Reconstruction Over Little Menomonee River on County Line Road’, on June 17, 2008. Using an estimated total cost of \$725,000, the resolution approves Mequon’s share for this project at \$362,500.

DISCUSSION

This file authorizes the execution of a Cost Sharing Agreement with the City of Mequon for the replacement of the West County Line Structure over the Little Menomonee River. Total estimated costs of the project are detailed below, with each City conceptually sharing equally in total costs. Final percentages of total cost may be altered based on amount of cost incurred within respective municipal boundaries.

| Item | Total Cost | Milwaukee | Mequon |
|-------------------------|-------------------------|-------------------------|-------------------------|
| Preliminary Engineering | \$120,000 | \$60,000 | \$60,000 |
| Real Estate | 5,000 | 2,500 | 2,500 |
| Construction | 500,000 | 250,000 | 250,000 |
| Contingencies | <u>100,000</u> | <u>50,000</u> | <u>50,000</u> |
| Total | <u>\$725,000</u> | <u>\$362,500</u> | <u>\$362,500</u> |

FISCAL IMPACT

Approval of this file authorizes the expenditure of City funds in the amount of \$62,500 for preliminary engineering and real estate related costs.

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