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Committee: Board of Public Works	Date: 5/4/2017
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Submitted By: Fred Abadi, Director of Public Works	City Administrator Approval: Kevin Lahner, City Administrator
Finance Department Review: Rich Abbott, Finance Director RA	City Attorney's Office Review: Brian Running, City Attorney BR

Subject:

Authorize the Department of Public Works to install sidewalks in conjunction with the reconstruction of Northview Road, subject to approval of the 2018 and 2019 CIP budgets, if permissible property owners petition the City to install sidewalks at no expense to them in exchange for their maintenance of the sidewalk indefinitely.

Details:

Northview Road is scheduled to be reconstructed between Meadowbrook Road and approximately 1450 feet west of N. Grandview Boulevard in 2018 and 2019. As many of the properties along this stretch were originally within the Town of Pewaukee, the majority of the roadway cross-section is rural with ditch drainage on both sides and only limited areas with curb and gutter and sidewalks. Sections of Northview Road also fall within Special Designated Area III described in the Cooperative Boundary Plan Between The City of Waukesha and The Town of Pewaukee Waukesha County, Wisconsin dated December 22, 1997. Prior to the expiration of the Plan on December 31, 2022, the City cannot require any owner of property, which was developed at the onset of the Plan, and is within the Designated Area, to install, pay, or maintain sidewalk. However, these property owners may petition the City to install sidewalk. Based on a public information meeting held in October 2016 and subsequent feedback, many property owners have expressed support for the installation of sidewalk provided it is installed at no cost to them. In exchange, they have indicated a willingness to maintain the sidewalk. Owners of property developed after the onset of the Plan would be subject to assessment for the installation of sidewalks.

Options & Alternatives:

The City may choose to not install the sidewalk with the road reconstruction but install it sometime after December 31, 2022 at which time property owners could be assessed for the cost of installation and be required to maintain the sidewalk.

Financial Remarks:

The cost to install the sidewalk is estimated to be \$185,000. This cost would be borne by Account No. 2004.68290 in conjunction with the roadway construction.

Executive Recommendation:

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