



MAYOR & COUNCIL COMMUNICATION

DATE: July 21, 2015
REGULAR
ITEM # 13

AGENDA ITEM: TH36 and Highlands Trail - Request for Street Light safety improvement
SUBMITTED BY: Jack Griffin, City Engineer
THROUGH: Julie Johnson, City Clerk
REVIEWED BY: Mike Bouthilet, Public Works
Cathy Bendel, Finance Director
Greg Malmquist, Fire Chief
Ryan Stempski, Assistant City Engineer

SUGGESTED ORDER OF BUSINESS:

- Introduction of Item..... City Engineer
- Report/Presentation City Engineer
- Questions from Council to Staff..... Mayor Facilitates
- Public Input, if Appropriate..... Mayor Facilitates
- Call for Motion Mayor & City Council
- Discussion Mayor & City Council
- Action on Motion..... Mayor Facilitates

POLICY RECOMMENDER: Engineering / Public Works.

FISCAL IMPACT: \$2,200.

The installation of a street light at the intersection of TH36 and Highlands Trail would cost approximately \$2,200; \$1,906 to Xcel Energy for the supply and installation of the street light plus public works restoration costs. The street light would be funded through the Infrastructure Reserve Fund.

SUMMARY AND ACTION REQUESTED:

The City Council is respectfully requested to consider approving the installation of a street light at the intersection of TH36 and Highlands Trail in the amount of \$2,200; \$1,906 to Xcel Energy plus public works restoration costs. The recommended motion for this action is as follows:

“Move to approve the installation of a street light at the intersection of TH36 and Highlands Trail in the amount of \$2,200.”

LEGISLATIVE HISTORY/BACKGROUND INFORMATION:

In March, 2015 staff received a request to install a street light at the intersection of TH36 and Highlands Trail. The request was made by Barbara Thill residing at 8330 59th Street North (see attached correspondence). The request was made to Adam Josephson, MnDOT who forwarded the request to City staff since the installation would be the City's responsibility. The request was made to address a safety concern to assist in identifying the intersection location to allow vehicles sufficient braking distances along TH36.

Both Public Works and the Fire Chief have reviewed the intersection and support the installation request. City staff contacted Xcel Energy and received a proposal to complete the installation should the council choose to order the street light. An installation cost of \$1,906.00 was quoted by Xcel Energy in a proposal dated May 28, 2015. The proposed installation includes a cobra cutoff fixture on a 30 foot direct buried fiberglass pole and includes all underground facilities, wiring and conduit. In addition the City would pay a monthly underground rate of \$18.86 which includes full maintenance for a period of 25 years (see attached proposal).

RECOMMENDATION:

Staff is recommending that the City Council approve the installation of a street light at the intersection of TH36 and Highlands Trail in the amount of \$2,200; \$1,906 to Xcel Energy plus public works restoration. The recommended motion for this action is as follows:

“Move to approve the installation of a street light at the intersection of TH36 and Highlands Trail in the amount of \$2,200.”

ATTACHMENT(S):

1. Xcel Energy outdoor lighting proposal dated May 28, 2015.
2. Email correspondence including resident request and MnDOT response.