



MEMORANDUM

TO: Bruce Walden, Chief Administrative Officer
FROM: William R. Gray, Director of Public Works
Doug Miller, Projects Coordinator
DATE: February 5, 2004
RE: Stone Creek Boulevard Bike Path Grant Application

BRIEF DESCRIPTION OF THE ITEM

The State of Illinois Department of Natural Resources is currently accepting applications for financial assistance for bike path projects through the Illinois Bicycle Path Grant Program. Grant applications must be in by March 1. Awarded grants can be up to 50% of a project's cost up to a maximum of \$200,000. The proposed 8 foot wide, concrete bike path would run from where the existing path ends at Castlerock Drive to High Cross Road on Stone Creek Boulevard. There would also be a connection made to the Florida Avenue bike path at Smith Road. The proposed future Colorado Avenue bike path would also be connected when constructed. A city map of our bike path system and an aerial map showing the project are attached.

BACKGROUND/FACTS

In addition to being part of the City's proposed bike path system, this project was committed to by the City in the 1997 annexation and development agreement between the City and the Atkins Group regarding the development of the Stone Creek Subdivision. The bike path is to be constructed by 2005 per the agreement. An excerpt of Article III, Section 5 covering the bike path is attached. This project is included in our Capital Improvement Plan in 2005.

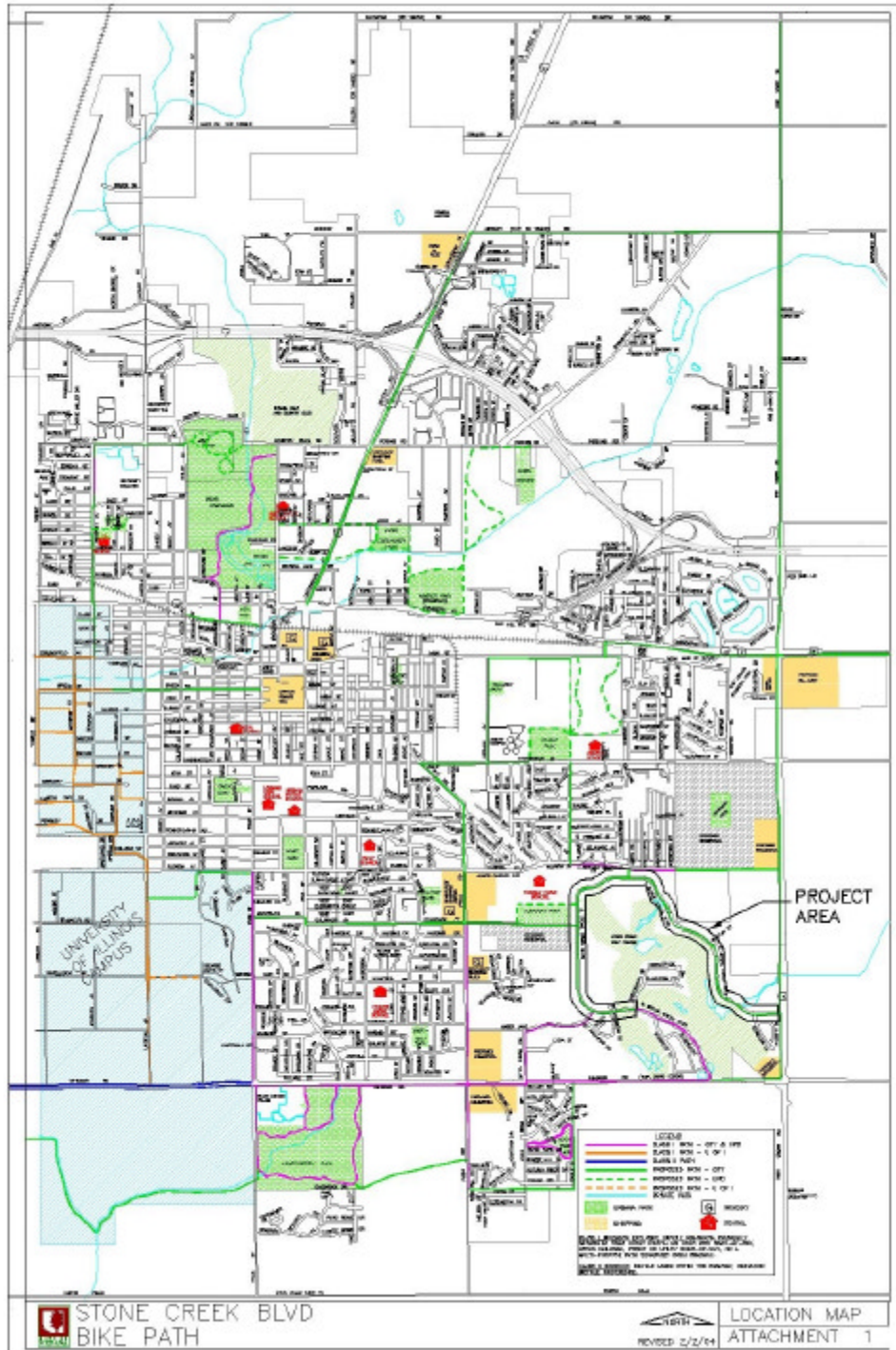
The estimated cost of the project is \$438,620 including \$30,600 in estimated engineering costs. Project engineering would be done in-house with construction bid out as usual with major capital improvement projects. The in-house engineering cost is grant eligible on a force account basis up to 50%. If the maximum grant of \$200,000 is awarded, our out-of-pocket cost would be \$208,020. A copy of the cost estimate is attached.

RECOMMENDATIONS/ACTION REQUIRED

It is recommended that a resolution of support for the application and authorizing the Mayor to submit the grant application be approved. The State also requires a Certification Statement to be formally approved by Council. Copies of these two documents are also attached.

Prepared by: _____
Douglas H. Miller
Projects Coordinator

Approved by: _____
William R. Gray
Director of Public Works





STONE CREEK BLVD BIKE PATH

- PROPOSED PATH
- EXISTING PATH
- FUTURE PATH

06/12/2004
SITE OF PROFESSIONAL ENGINEER

SITE DEVELOPMENT PLAN
 ATTACHMENT 3 A

**A RESOLUTION
OF SUPPORT FOR APPLICATION FOR
ILLINOIS DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL RESOURCES FUNDS
BY THE CITY OF URBANA
(Stone Creek Boulevard Bike Path)**

WHEREAS, the City of Urbana has expressed its commitment to the establishment of bicycle paths as illustrated in new capital improvements such as the Windsor Road and Philo Road bike paths, its commitment to their construction in private developments such as the Savannah Green Development Agreement and their designation in the Comprehensive Plan, as amended;

WHEREAS, through its staff, the City of Urbana, Illinois Department of Natural Resources, University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign, Champaign County Design & Conservation Foundation, Champaign County Forest Preserve District, Champaign County Highway Department, Champaign County Regional Planning Commission, Champaign Park District, Champaign Urbana Mass Transit District, City of Champaign, University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign, Urbana Park District, Village of Mahomet, Village of Rantoul, and Village of Savoy have jointly developed a regional Greenways and Trails Plan designating proposed bike paths, trails and other greenways; and

WHEREAS, these planning efforts further reflect the commitment to a community based bicycle path system involving multiple government agencies and user groups in its use and establishment; and

WHEREAS, there are funds available through the Illinois Department of Natural Resources for the development and improvement of public bicycle paths; and

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF URBANA, ILLINOIS, as follows:

Section 1. The City Council finds and determines that the facts contained in the above recitations are true.

Section 2. That the Urbana City Council, does hereby authorize the Mayor to Submit a grant request on behalf of the City in the amount of \$200,000 to the State of Illinois Department of Natural Resources for the purpose of financing part of the construction of the proposed bicycle path improvements on Stone Creek Boulevard as noted in said grant application and is authorized to execute any subsequent documents related to the submission of the grant application, and the subsequent receipt of funds through said grant.

PASSED by the City Council this _____ day of _____, 2004.

Phyllis D. Clark, City Clerk

APPROVED by the Mayor this _____ day of _____, 2004

Tod Satterthwaite, Mayor