

RESOLUTION NO. 969

RESOLUTION APPROVING AN ENGINEERING SERVICES AGREEMENT WITH VEENSTRA & KIMM, INC IN CONNECTION WITH THE PRIORITY ROUTES SIDEWALK PROJECT AND DIRECTING THE CITY ADMINISTRATOR TO NOTIFY THE IOWA DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION SAFE ROUTES TO SCHOOL PROGRAM MANAGER OF THE CITY'S INTENT NOT TO PARTICPATE IN THE SAFE ROUTES TO SCHOOL GRANT AWARDED IN JANUARY OF 2011.

WHEREAS, the City of West Branch is concerned about the safety of children walking to and from school; and

WHEREAS, the City finds it in the best interest of the residents of West Branch to add sidewalks around the Herbert Hoover Elementary and Middle School Complex; and

WHEREAS, the City Council has discussed at length the sidewalks that would provide the most benefit to children walking to school; and

WHEREAS, the City Council has directed Veenstra & Kimm, Inc. to provide an engineer's estimate for the cost of sidewalks on Poplar, Oliphant (from Orange to Crestview) and connecting Orange Street to the Middle School; and

WHEREAS, the choice of said sidewalks focuses funds on the construction of sidewalks closest to the school; and

WHEREAS, a reasonable estimate of the cost of said sidewalks is known by the Council and can be paid for without requiring the City to incur debt; and

WHEREAS, Veenstra & Kimm, Inc. has submitted a proposed engineering agreement dated February 6, 2012, to provide said services in the amount of \$6,900.00; and

WHEREAS, it is now necessary to approve said agreement.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the City Council of the City of West Branch, Iowa:

SECTION 1. The aforementioned agreement with Veenstra & Kimm, Inc. is hereby approved. Further, the Mayor is directed to execute the agreement on behalf of the City.

SECTION 2. The city administrator is directed to notify the Iowa Department of Transportation Safe Routes to School Program Manager of the City's intent not to participate in the Safe Routes to School Grant awarded in January of 2011.

Passed and approved this 6<sup>th</sup> day of February, 2012.

  
Don Kessler, Mayor

ATTEST:

  
Matt Muckler, City Administrator/Clerk