Agenda Memo



Crest Hill, IL

Meeting Date: May 22, 2023

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Department: Engineering

Agenda Item: Route 66 Community Monuments-Agreement Heritage Corridor Convention and Visitors

Bureau and City of Crest Hill.

Summary: The city of Crest Hill through Heritage Corridor Designations (CVB) has been awarded a portion of \$1.6 million DCEO grant for the purchase of an interactive Route 66 Community Monument. The purpose of this monument is to promote tourism and to celebrate the 100th Anniversary of Route 66 in 2026. The monument is 72 inches tall by 14'8" in length, see attached for exhibits on the monument being provided.

The CVB is looking to have this agreement signed by the city by the end of June 2023.

If the city chooses to move forward with accepting this monument the following will be conditions of the agreement:

- 1. The city will be required to pay a one-time fee of \$3,000 fee to the Heritage Corridor to pay for cost associated with the grant application, reporting and accounting of the grant.
- 2. The city will take delivery of the monument on or by August 31, 2023.
- 3. The sign will be delivered to a location determined by the city.
- 4. The city will be required to install a 15 ft by 4 ft concrete pad that is capable of handling the load of the monument. The estimated cost to install the pad is approximately \$5,000. This is the cost of the pad only, and any landscaping, benches, etc. will be additional.
- 5. The city will also be responsible for installing a sign adjacent to this monument that says, "Project funded by DCEO's Route 66 Grant with logos". The cost for this is estimated to be between \$200-\$300 dollars.
- 6. The monument will need to be out for public display until the end of 2026 and once delivered, the city will be responsible for maintenance and repair of the monument .
- 7. Once the monument is installed, the city along with Heritage Corridor Designations will plan a public announcement.

If the city chooses to move forward with the execution of this agreement, then a location will need to be determined. The locations below are up for discussion:

- City Center Park, in the area of the new playground being installed the Lockport Park District.
- Along the front of City Center, City Hall side.
- Work with Lucky Brothers to install on their gas station site. Southwest Corner of Caton Farm Rd and Broadway
- Goofee G's Ice Cream on Plainfield Rd and Webb
- Northeast Corner of Theodore and Broadway.

Staff has sent this draft agreement to the city attorney for review, and he has indicated there will be substantial revisions required besides the following:

- 1. Under Recitals the IGA needs to be revised to a one-time payment of \$3,000
- 2. Item 7 needs to be revised to address that any damage to the monument at the time of delivery will be repaired at no cost to the city.

Recommended Council Action: Provide direction to staff to on whether to proceed with this DCEO grant for a Route 66 Community Monument.

Financial Impact:

Funding Source: General Fund

Budgeted Amount: n/a

Cost: TBD

Attachments:

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