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# MEMORANDUM

**To:** DDA Board of Directors  
**From:** Susie Stec, DDA Director  
**Date:** January 17, 2024  
**RE:** 2024 Alleyway & Approach Recommendation

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The DDA Board of Directors was expected to make a decision regarding the 2024 Alley & Approach work; unfortunately, there was no quorum to take official action. The city's engineer was present, and the board members present asked that he presents the recommendation. A discussion was held regarding the work accomplished over the past few years and the desire to continue to make improvements. The consensus by those in attendance was to move two alleys forward into proposed 2025 work. Attached is the updated spreadsheet and map pages for reference.

Additionally, since the December meeting, bid documents for the proposed 2024 Alley & Approach work has been released with final bids due on February 8<sup>th</sup>. A recommendation for a contract award will be made at the February 16<sup>th</sup> DDA Board of Directors meeting.

The remainder of this memo was previously in the December 15, 2023 agenda packet.

The Alley & Approach program is a 5-year plan which began implementation in 2021. To date, the following work has been completed in the first 3 years of the program: 3 alleyways and 15 approaches, for a total investment of \$318,689. DDA paving work has been included in the city's paving bids which has allowed the DDA to take advantage of economies of scale. This has resulted in our being under budget for each program year and represents a savings of approximately 30%. The total budgeted amount for these same program years was \$448,830. This may be seen in the attached spreadsheet.

In discussing proposed improvements for 2024, the city engineer recommending focusing our efforts south of I-696 to avoid the planned Southfield Road repaving work between 11 & 12 Mile Roads which is being completed by RCOC. The city engineer recommended to improve 1 complete alleyway (including both adjacent approaches), 2 alleyways with 1 adjoining approach each, and 1 additional approach. These



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are identified in orange of the attached map. The proposed alleyways and approached all have PASER ratings of 1 – 3.

**TOTAL ESTIMATED COST for 2024 Proposed Work:        \$296,704**

**Suggested motion: To adopt the 2024 DDA Alley & Approach Recommendation as presented.**