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To: Mayor Bennett and City Council

From: City Administrator, Kim Downs

Date: August 11, 2016

RE: 4th Avenue Fencing along CN (Chicago, Central and Pacific) Railroad Retaining Wall

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In May you may recall my memo discussing the need to install a fence for liability purposes along the 4th Avenue railroad tracks as council approved the CN (Chicago, Central and Pacific) Railroad Multi-Use Pathway/Sidewalk Agreement.

The 744' fence will be a commercial 4' painted chain link fence including top rail, post and 6 gage meshes. It will be placed at the top section of the large riprap embankment to prevent anyone from playing around the area and rolling down the riprap.

After review we would ask for council's approval of the lowest responsible and responsive bidder-Cook Fence Co.-$8,800. Funding is available from an earlier railroad project that came in under budget.

Quotes received:

Cook Fence Co.-$8,800

Life Time Fence Co.-$10,950

D & N Fence Co.-$10,940

Thank you for your consideration.

Kim

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RESOLUTION NO. 16-
City Council

RESOLUTION APPROVING THE INSTALLATION OF A FENCE ALONG THE 4TH AVENUE RAILROAD TRACKS IN CONNECTION WITH LICENSE FOR MULTI-USE PATHWAY/SIDEWALK AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE CITY OF HIAWATHA AND CHICAGO, CENTRAL AND PACIFIC RAILROAD COMPANY

WHEREAS, City Council approved Resolution #16-119 approving a License for Multi-Use Pathway/Sidewalk Agreement between the City of Hiawatha and Chicago, Central and Pacific Railroad Company for the purpose of the installation of retaining sidewalk, benches, and landscaping along 4th Avenue on the railroad right-of-way and extending the sidewalk along 4th Avenue down to Blairs Ferry Road, and

WHEREAS, along with the installation of a retaining sidewalk, benches and landscaping, it is necessary to install a fence along the 4th Avenue railroad tracks for liability purposes; 744 feet of commercial four foot painted chain link fence including top rail, post and six gage meshes will be placed at the top section of the large riprap embankment, and

WHEREAS, after review of three (3) quotations received, City Staff recommends the lowest responsible responsive bidder as Cook Fence Co. of Cedar Rapids, Iowa, with a total cost of $8,800.00, and

WHEREAS, funding for installation of a fence along the 4th Avenue railroad tracks is available in a previous railroad project that came in under budget, and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF HIAWATHA, IOWA, to authorize the installation of a retaining sidewalk, benches and landscaping along the 4th Avenue railroad tracks for liability purposes; 744 feet of commercial four foot painted chain link fence including top rail, post and six gage meshes will be placed at the top section of the large riprap embankment, at a total cost of $8,800.00, with Cook Fence Co. of Cedar Rapids, Iowa, in connection with the License for Multi-Use Pathway/Sidewalk Agreement between the City of Hiawatha and Chicago, Central and Pacific Railroad Company.

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ABSENT:

PASSED AND APPROVED this 17th day of August, 2016.

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Bill Bennett, Mayor

ATTEST:

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Kelly Kornegor, City Clerk