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Legistar Item: 14-10387

To:

Alderman Jim Kaplan, Chairman

Public Works and Services Committee

From:

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Assistant Commissioner of Public Works/City Engineer

Re:

Traffic Study on Ohio Street Near Lockwood Park

Pursuant to the request of the Public Works and Services Committee on December 9, 2014, to defer Legislative Item 14-10387, I have contacted several engineering firms to get an estimate on the cost for a professional services agreement to perform a traffic study on Ohio Street near Lockwood Park.

Four professional traffic operation engineers from four different engineering firms submitted cost estimates to my office via e-mail outlining general scope of services that would need to be done to perform said study.

The firms that were contacted were AECOM, R.A. Smith, SRF Consulting and Traffic Analysis and Design. Three of the cost estimates were in the range of \$9,300 to \$11,000 with one of the cost estimates beginning at \$7,900 with the range up to \$15,500 for additional scope and services.

If the Committee is desirous of hiring a professional traffic operations engineer to complete a detailed study for this area, I would recommend that they refer the item to the Finance and Personnel Committee for funding as these services are not provided for in the 2015 City budget.

If funds are appropriated by the Finance and Personnel Committee, the item could then be referred back to the Public Works and Services Committee upon my receipt of formal proposals from the four engineering firms. At that time, I could review the proposals from the firms with the Committee and make a staff recommendation for an engineering firm to begin work on the study if approved by the Common Council.

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