



# CITY OF IOWA CITY COUNCIL ACTION REPORT

April 1, 2025

Resolution setting a public hearing on April 15, 2025 on project manual and estimate of cost for the construction of the Iowa River Trail Bridge Replacement Project, directing City Clerk to publish notice of said hearing, and directing the City Engineer to place said project manual on file for public inspection.

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Reviewed By:	Jason Havel – City Engineer Ron Knoche – Public Works Director Geoff Fruin – City Manager
Fiscal Impact:	\$459,000 available in the Iowa River Trail Bridge replacement account, #R4423.
Staff Recommendation:	Approval
Attachments:	<a href="#">Resolution</a>

## Executive Summary:

This agenda item begins the bidding process for the Iowa River Trail Bridge Replacement Project. This project generally includes the removal of an existing Iowa River Trail bridge and replacement with a retaining wall, grading, and other associated work, repairs to an existing pedestrian bridge under the Iowa Interstate Railroad, and additional trail replacement on the east side of 526 and 510 S. Riverside Drive.

## Background / Analysis:

The Iowa River Trail bridge located to the east of the Riverside Drive and Myrtle Ave intersection, behind Dairy Queen and Kelly's Auto, has reached the end of its service life.

The trail bridge will be replaced with an engineered retaining wall, which will provide the same trail route for users while having a reduced life cycle cost compared to the trail bridge.

The retaining wall design has been hydraulically modeled and meets the no-rise condition necessary for construction.

## Project Timeline:

Hold Public Hearing and Approve Project Manual: April 15, 2025

Bid Letting: April 30, 2025

Contract Award: May 6, 2025

Construction: May – September 2025