

## CITY OF WASHINGTON, ILLINOIS Public Works Committee Agenda Communication

Meeting Date: September 6, 2022

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Agenda Item: Jackson Street Pedestrian Bridge Discussion

**Explanation:** Staff budgeted for the engineering work to be performed for the Jackson Street pedestrian bridge. Upon reviewing pricing for several past prefabricated structures and the North Street culvert project, they typically are in the \$100,000-\$150,000 range while the North Street box culvert replacement was in the \$200,000 range.

Both Jackson and Hamilton are currently dead-end streets while also only being 220 feet apart. Dead-end streets are tough to plow, tough for garbage pick-up, and tough on emergency response. A pedestrian bridge would only serve pedestrians at roughly half the cost.

The project would also allow the extension and looping of the dead-end watermains on both Hamilton and Jackson.

**Fiscal Impact:** City staff budgeted for the design of the pedestrian bridge in both the Street and Stormwater budgets. The amount budgeted would likely cover either the bridge or culvert design. A pedestrian bridge could be anywhere from \$100,000-\$150,000. An estimate is currently being determined for the culvert and road extension. Any extra funding would need to be budgeted in FY 23-24.

**Recommendation Summary:** Staff recommends discussion on the potential removal of the pedestrian bridge and extending Jackson to tie-in to Hamilton.

