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### MEMORANDUM

TO: Public Works Committee  
FROM: Jon R. Oliphant, AICP, Planning & Development Director  
SUBJECT: Square Streetscape/ITEP Applications  
DATE: June 7, 2017

As you know, an application was submitted for a Square streetscape project through the Illinois Transportation Enhancement Program (ITEP) in June 2016. While that project was not selected for funding, a recreation trail extension on McClugage and Centennial was chosen.

IDOT recently announced the schedule for the 2018 ITEP cycle. Applications can be submitted between October 2 and December 1. IDOT anticipates the review process to continue through April 2018 with an announcement of selected projects occurring in the spring of 2018. IDOT has not announced any changes to this program as of yet. ITEP funds projects on an 80/20 basis and eligible projects include pedestrian/bicycle facilities and landscape/streetscape projects within a transportation corridor. There is another category that allows for historic rehabilitation projects provided they are within an area that has designated historic landmarks or districts. This is the category that the City submitted the streetscape project within last year.

Hutchison Engineering completed survey work around the Square last year as part of its contract. The contract also allocates the completion of the design for one block of the Square. Staff seeks feedback on which block to design, which could allow for construction to be completed later this year, and how to proceed with possible sequencing of future phases on the Square. While ITEP is a very competitive program, having the design completed and potentially some of the construction would seemingly place this project a better candidate for funding.

Staff looks for direction on a possible ITEP application(s) and how to proceed with the Square streetscape design. This is scheduled for review at the June 12 Public Works Committee meeting.