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Muscatine City Council
Muscatine City Hall
Muscatine, IA 52761

RE: Moving of House at 1402 Mulberry Ave to 1200 Iowa Ave

Dear Council Members:

I respectfully request permission to move the house structure currently located at 1402 Mulberry Ave to 1200 Iowa Ave.

DATE & TIME

I would like to schedule the move for Friday May 14th, 2010 with rain dates of May 21st and May 28th. The scheduled beginning time is 8 am and to be complete by noon. However, with such a short distance we expect to be moved and off the street much sooner.

MOVER

The mover I have selected is Jeremy Paterson House Moving Inc. from Washington IA. He will attain the proper permits and has the necessary insurance to cover the move. He will furnish a copy of his insurance to the Department of Building & Zoning and will, hopefully be able to attend the council meeting to answer any questions anyone might have.

ROUTE

The moving company would like to enter Cedar Street from the Art Center access. Take a left and travel south approximately ½ block and turn right onto Fulliam. Travel 2 blocks west on Fulliam and turn left onto Iowa Ave. Travel ½ block south on Iowa and arrive at 1200 Iowa Ave. Destination lot is the 1st property north of the Iowa Field access.

ESCORT VEHICLES

As you know, Cedar Street is part of HWY 22. Therefore, I may be required to provide an escort vehicle while on Cedar Street. I will check on this and provide one if necessary. It is my hope that since we are in the city limits and will only be on Cedar for a very short time, an escort will not be necessary.

ELECTRIAL & CABLE SERVICES

There are approximately 23 electrical services and 20 cable/communication services that will be affected, by this move, in some way. Please refer to ATTACHMENT 1.

TELEPHONE SERVICES

As of the Monday October 12th I had not heard back from the phone company with regard to moving any phone lines that may be an obstacle to the move.

ON STREET PARKING & BLOCKED OFF ACCESSES

I have spoken with Brett Talkington of the Muscatine Police Department and they will post “No Parking By Police Order” signs the night before the move. The signs will state that all cars must be moved by 7 am on May 14th. Furthermore, they will have Cedar Street temporally barricaded for the short time we are there. We will also need to block the Sycamore access to Fulliam and Iowa Ave where it intersects with Iowa Ave. Finally, we will need to block Fulliam where it intersects with Iowa Ave. Please review the map. ATTACHEMNT 2

STREET SIGNS

I have spoken with Randy Hill of Muscatine Public Works and he has assured me that they will be able to unbolt, at the base, and drop all street signs in the route to insure ease of passage for the structure. Because this structure is so large, dropping street signs will allow the structure to move closer to the curb and make it easier for maneuvering around trees that may be on the opposite side of any given sign. We also agreed that I will be responsible for any/all costs involved. It appears that there are 2 signs on Cedar Street, 5 Signs on Fulliam Ave., and 1 sign on Iowa Ave that will need to be dropped.

TREE TRIMMING

Once the structure enters Cedar Street from the Art Center parking lot access there are 4 trees which are/may be in the way. I have spoken with all 4 property owners and have received approval to trim or spade all of the trees which end up being an obstruction. Freers & Sons Tree Service will be on standby if trimming is deemed necessary. I believe the City of Muscatine already has a copy of their insurance currently on file. The owners affected are as follows:

1. Gary Ronzheimer has given me permission to trim tree branches as necessary, which hang over the road in front of 1213 Cedar Street. However, he made the point that he wants as little taken off as necessary to safely by.
2. Horacio Marquez has given me permission to trim a tree branch which hangs over the road in front of 114 East Fulliam Ave. I got the impression we could trim this tree ahead of the move date.
3. Barth Donald has given me permission to trim a tree branch which hangs over the road in front of 1301 Iowa Ave. I got the impression we could trim this tree ahead of the move date.
4. Donald Kerker has given me permission to spade one or both of the small trees in the “right of way” in front of 1209 Iowa Ave.

If you have further questions regarding this matter please direct them to Brian Costas at 563-288-0550 or e-mail BLCostas@rocketmail.com

Thank you for your consideration in the matter.



Brian Costas

ATTACHMENT 1

MPW estimates for house move

Friday, October 2, 2009 3:47 PM

From: "Nick Nietzel/MPW" <nnietzel@mpw.org>

To: bcostas@rocketmail.com

Brian

Here is the information you requested

Route: Cedar to Fulliam to 1200 block of Iowa Ave

MPW Communications:

(16) drops

(1) fiber/coax crossing Fulliam @ Cedar - storage (2) spans away

(1) fiber/coax crossing Fulliam @ Sycamore - storage (1) span away

(1) coax crossing Fulliam @ 120 E Fulliam

(1) coax crossing on Iowa Ave. @ site of house

MPW Electric:

(2) Primary crossings - (1) Single Phase, (1) 3 Phase - Hendrix

(21) Secondary services

MPW Crews will do prep work 2 days prior to move. MPW Crews will both lead and follow house moving crews on moving day to assure as short of outages as possible.

If you have any questions or need further information, let me know.

Thanks

Nick Nietzel

Engineering Technician

Muscatine Power and Water

ATTACHMENT 2

