TO: James L. App, City Manager

FROM: **Robert A. Lata, Community Development Director**

SUBJECT: Establishment of Ad Hoc Committee – 4th Street Improvement Plans

DATE: **November 1. 2005**

Background: The City has completed a Project Study Report (PSR) that outlines options for the connection of 4th Street to Riverside Avenue via an underpass below the railroad.

> The PSR identifies a modified alignment for 4th and Pine Streets that must be implemented to accommodate the eventual underpass and connection to Riverside Avenue.

> The City has drafted an Owner Participation Agreement (OPA) that outlines the terms and conditions for sale of the City owned property at 4th and Pine Streets.

> It is the intention of the City that the right-of-way needed for the realignment of 4th and Pine Streets be established through the property transfer and that the ultimate improvements for the realignment of 4th and Pine Streets be implemented.

> We will request proposals from qualified civil engineers to prepare plans for the realignment of 4th and Pine Streets and to provide options for maintaining the connection to the existing underpass.

> Having an ad hoc Committee would facilitate the process of considering civil engineering proposals and preparing recommendations for consideration by the full City Council.

Options:

- Appoint two (2) Council members to an ad hoc committee to work with a. staff to consider civil engineering proposals for realignment of 4th and Pine Streets, with the term of the committee to extend to October 17, 2006.
- b. Amend, modify or reject the above option.