City of Rock Port

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TO: Division Engineer, Design
Attn: Design Standards

SUBJECT: Public Interest Finding
Downtown Streetscape Improvement Project Phase II
Rock Port, Missouri
STP-9900(071)

With reference to the above mentioned project, we request approval of a finding in the public interest to use the following:

1. *BRICKFORM– Mauve powdered integral color for stamped colored concrete*
   Medium gray powder release antiquing agent
   London Cobble brick pattern

2. *KING LUMINAIRE - The Florentine Jr. Millennium Series light poles*
   K118 Washington Luminaire

Phase I of the Downtown Streetscape Improvement project in Rock Port was completed in 2012. This project incorporated stamped, colored concrete and new ornamental lighting. To ensure that the improvements proposed in Phase 2 match the improvements in place, it is required that the specific items listed above be used for the proposed construction. Using products from different manufacturers will lead to different shades and patterns of stamped/colored concrete and different patterns on the light poles and luminaires, thus not matching the existing streetscape.

Our engineer, Snyder and Associates, has researched other options for these products through the design process and no other product can be guaranteed to match what was installed as part of Phase I.

The City has a long term plan to improve the remaining blocks of the downtown area with the same design and require that all blocks have the same look. Additionally, maintenance and replacement of items that is required over time will be much more difficult if each block has different lights and stamped concrete. If each block contains different manufacturers the City will be required to keep or track down multiple styles of concrete color/stamps and light poles/luminaires to complete any repairs.

We appreciate your consideration on this matter. Should you have any questions, please contact Randy Mendenhall with Snyder & Associates at (816) 364-5222.

Sincerely,

Ashtin Paris, City Clerk
City of Rock Port

I do hereby certify that in accordance with the requirements of 23 CFR 635.411(a)(2), this patented or proprietary item is essential for synchronization with existing highway facilities.

2/25/14
State Design Engineer