

OFFICE OF THE CITY MANAGER
DES MOINES, IOWA

CITY COUNCIL COMMUNICATION 96-268
JUNE 24, 1996 AGENDA

| SUBJECT: | TYPE: | SUBMITTED BY: |
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| BIRDLAND PARK EAST IMPROVEMENTS | ◆ RESOLUTION ORDINANCE RECEIVE/FILE | HAROLD E. SMITH CITY ENGINEER |

SYNOPSIS —

On June 18, 1996, the City received bids for the Birdland Park East Improvements. Only one bid was received from Johnson Concrete & Petroleum Construction, Inc. This report explains staff's recommendation to accept the bid.

FISCAL IMPACT —

The only bid received for this project was \$166,649 for the base bid, \$55,000 for Add-Alternate No. 1, and \$10,916 for Add-Alternate No. 2. Parks Department staff is researching funding options to determine which alternates to include.

RECOMMENDATION —

Receive and file the bid from Johnson Concrete & Petroleum Construction, Inc. with designation of low bidder and award of construction contract to be July 1, 1996.

BACKGROUND —

There were a total of nine plan holders for this project, of which four indicated interest in bidding as prime contractor. Only one bid was received.

Staff contacted the other three prime contractors to see why they did not submit bids. Two responses were that after looking over the plans and specifications, this project was not the type of work they normally do. The third response was from a contractor who has done this type of work for us in the past, but is too busy at this time to need this type of job.

The contractor who did submit a bid has done similar work for the City in the past, and is currently working on this type of construction work for us at two other parks.