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Council Communication No. 97-328

SYNOPSIS -

To award a bid to American Home Improvement to repair and replace the roof at the Sheridan Park Shelter. American Home Improvement was the only contractor bidding on this project.

FISCAL IMPACT -

The sole bid to repair and replace the Sheridan Park Shelter roof was \$11,380.16. Funds are available in the 1997-98 Capital Improvement Project budget for this expense.

RECOMMENDATION –

Adopt resolution which awards construction contract to American Home Improvement to renovate the Sheridan Park Shelter roof.

BACKGROUND -

On January 20, 1997, by Roll Call No. 97-187, City Council authorized staff to proceed with fiscal year 1997 CIP projects. A portion of the CIP program is designated to repair, restore, and renovate existing park infrastructures, which includes shelters and restrooms.

Sheridan Park is located between East 39th and 40th Streets, and north of Hull Avenue. Over time, gradual deterioration to the Sheridan Park Shelter has occurred. This shelter structure includes restrooms, changing areas for the adjacent wading pool, storage for park and recreation supplies, and shelter from adverse weather conditions.

The project was bid according to the City of Des Moines purchasing policies on Bid No. 97-251. Only one contractor submitted a bid for this project. Probable reasons for receiving a single bid include:

- 1. There are several construction opportunities at this time of the year and this project is relatively small by comparison to the work available throughout the metropolitan area.
- 2. Staff requested a specified start and completion date to complete the project in a timely manner to ensure the shelter is available for summer activities. The lead time for most roofing companies during this time of the year is more than 30 days, which does not meet the City's need

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