



**CITY COUNCIL
COMMUNICATION:**

ITEM _____

98-231

**OFFICE OF THE CITY MANAGER
CITY OF DES MOINES, IOWA**

AGENDA:
JUNE 1, 1998

SYNOPSIS –

SUBJECT:
ASBESTOS
REMOVAL– 1403-
1407 FOREST
AVENUE

On May 26, 1998, the City received bids for the asbestos removal at 1403-1407 Forest Avenue. Only one bid was received which was from Mid-Iowa Environmental Corp., Lucille Leopold, President, 3009 SW 9th Street, Des Moines, Iowa. This report explains staff’s recommendation to reject the bid.

TYPE:
RESOLUTION
ORDINANCE
RECEIVE/FILE

FISCAL IMPACT –

SUBMITTED BY:
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CITY ENGINEER

Funding for this project is included in Index Code 343640, Abandoned Housing Demolition.

RECOMMENDATION –

Staff recommends to reject the bid submitted by Mid-Iowa Environmental Corporation, and to include this asbestos removal work in the 1403-1407 Forest Avenue demolition contract which is included on this agenda to order construction, set the bid date of June 16, 1998, and set the hearing date of June 22, 1998.

BACKGROUND –

Only one bid was received from Mid-Iowa Environmental Corp., in the amount of \$22,900. The Engineer’s Estimate on the project was \$9,500. The Chief Civil Engineer recommends rejection of the bid.

A total of five contractors had requested bid documents as prime bidders, of which staff contacted three of the contractors that did not submit a bid. All three contractors stated they did not bid because they had work scheduled through mid-July and could not complete the asbestos removal within the contract

completion provisions to start work July 1, 1998, and complete the work within ten working days. All three would be interested in bidding the work if the completion date were extended.

Therefore, this project will be re-bid as a part of the demolition contract with a completion date of September 30, 1998.