

**CITY COUNCIL
COMMUNICATION:**

ITEM _____

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

99-221

SYNOPSIS -

AGENDA:

MAY 17, 1999

SUBJECT:

1998 CITY-WIDE
PCC PAVEMENT
RESTORATION
CHANGE ORDER
NO. 1

TYPE:

RESOLUTION
ORDINANCE
RECEIVE/FILE

SUBMITTED BY:

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DIRECTOR

On June 22, 1998, by Roll Call No. 98-2073, the City Council approved a contract in the amount of \$160,050 with P.G. Construction Company (Keith Purdy, President, 34 S.E. Gray Street, Des Moines, Iowa) to furnish portland cement concrete (PCC) pavement patches of various thicknesses in a cooperative effort with the Public Works Department. The bid submitted by P.G. Construction Company was extremely competitive. As a result, the Public Works Department is exercising its option to increase the total amount of the contract by 20 percent to take advantage of the low bid price because it is anticipated that new bids soon to be taken for similar work will be significantly higher. City Council approval is required since the change order is over \$10,000. The original contract does allow for quantity changes in the amount of up to 20 percent at the bid price. The amount of the change order is 19.8 percent.

FISCAL IMPACT -

Funding in the amount of the change order (\$ 31,732.80) is currently available in the Capital Improvement Program (CIP) Concrete Paving Restoration Program - Public Works, Account 480244.

RECOMMENDATION -

Approve Change Order No. 1 with P.G. Construction.

BACKGROUND -

The original 1998 City-wide PCC Pavement Restoration Program Public Improvements Contract document was awarded to P.G. Construction Company following a very competitive

bid process that had three bidders. The contract was awarded in a cooperative public/private effort with the Public Works Department for providing and placing portland cement concrete pavement patches. The Public Works Department performs the labor-intensive activities associated with removal of defective concrete pavement, traffic control, and cleanup, while the contractor provides, places, cures, and saws the new cement concrete to complete the patches. This joint public/private partnership is unique to the City.

The Public Works Department incorporated the option to increase quantities by 20 percent if extremely competitive bids were received. The Public Works Department now recommends exercising that option to take advantage of the current bid price. The amount of the requested change order is within the 20 percent option provided for in the contract and will be used to complete the concrete pavement restoration underway on East River Drive. The Public Works Department is preparing for new bids for similar work which are anticipated to be higher than last year's. However, taking advantage of the 20 percent option will eliminate delay of work currently underway.