



**CITY COUNCIL
COMMUNICATION:**

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

00-047

SYNOPSIS -

AGENDA:

FEBRUARY 7, 2000

SUBJECT:

UNION PARK
CAROUSEL
PAVILION

TYPE:

**RESOLUTION
ORDINANCE
RECEIVE/FILE**

SUBMITTED BY:

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CITY ENGINEER

On January 24, 2000, the City Council requested additional information on the apparent low bidder, Larson & Larson Construction, L.L.C. (2882 106th, Suite 220, Des Moines, Iowa 50322, Jeffrey C. Larson, President) for the Union Park Carousel Pavilion regarding qualifications and work experience.

Larson & Larson Construction, L.L.C. has submitted a detailed report showing company history, resources, financial capabilities, work in progress, project experience, etc. The report states Larson & Larson Construction, L.L.C. has an annual bonding capacity of \$15,000,000 and a single project bonding capacity of \$7,500,000. Council Members may obtain a copy of this report from the City Engineer.

Attached is a letter from Mr. Phillip Parrott of Shiffler Associates PLC (the architects for the Union Park Carousel Pavilion), stating he was delighted to see Larson & Larson Construction, L.L.C. submit the low bid as they are a "conscientious contractor with excellent organization and management skills and his work top quality."

FISCAL IMPACT -

Funds available for construction of the Union Park Carousel Pavilion from a combination of public and private funds are

- \$150,000 in private funds (\$40,000 Reiger Estate Gift for Union Park and \$110,000 Des Moines Carousel Foundation)
- CIP Index Code 602748 - Union Park Improvements - Account 542010 - Fund CP040 - Organization PKS990000 - Project PKS127 - Activity ID 11-2000-006, with a transfer of \$100,000 in General Obligation Bonds from CIP Index Code 603746 Neighborhood Park Improvements - Account 542010 - Fund CPO040 - Organization PKS990000 - Project/Grant PKS137.

RECOMMENDATION -

Approval.

BACKGROUND -

On January 24, 2000, by Roll Call No. 00-241, Council continued the Public Hearing on the plans, specifications, form of contract documents, and engineer's estimate of construction cost for the Union Park Carousel Pavilion. Counsel also deferred action until February 7, 2000, regarding the receipt of bids, designation of lowest responsible and responsive bidder, and award of the contract to Larson & Larson Construction, L.L.C., requesting additional information regarding the company's experience, references, and qualifications for the work

Attachment





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