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## COUNCIL COMMUNICATION City Manager's Office

### GENERAL INFORMATION

Agenda Date: 08/22/05  
Agenda Item Type: Resolution

Communication No.: 05-467  
Roll Call No.:

Submitted by: Donald M. Tripp, Park and Recreation Director

### SUBJECT—

Relocation and renovation of two bleacher sections from Principal Park Stadium to the Cownie Soccer Park.

### SYNOPSIS—

Approve the low bid of \$59,373 submitted by American Aluminum Seating, (J. Robert Palmer, President, 3111 South 8<sup>th</sup> Street, Marshalltown, IA 50158) for the relocation and renovation of two bleacher sections located at Principal Park Stadium. The bleacher sections will be relocated to the Cownie Soccer Complex. One 750-seat section will be moved to Field #6 and a 450-seat section will be moved to Field #8.

Contractors that provide and renovate spectator bleacher seating are specialty contractors. One bid was received from one of the two specialty contractors of this type in central Iowa.

### FISCAL IMPACT—

Low bid of \$59,373. Funding in the amount \$59,373 is available in Capital Improvement Program: CP040 PKS990000 PKS159. The G.O. and donation funding for improvements at the Cownie Soccer Complex were approved by Council on July 25, 2005 by Roll Call No. 05-1828.

Below is a fiscal impact of the Cownie Soccer Complex improvements that was reported in Council Communication No. 05-344 on June 20, 2005.

Uses	6/20/05	Sources	Amount
Proposed current improvements on Fields #6 and #9	\$ 656,100	City of Des Moines CIP	\$ 485,000

Improvement to maintenance building	\$ 183,900	Mid-American Energy Commitment	\$ 300,000
Development of MidAmerican Plaza in front of concession building	\$ 190,000	James W. Cownie Commitment	\$ 245,000
TOTAL	\$1,030,000		\$1,030,000

**RECOMMENDATION—**

Approval

**BACKGROUND—**

By Roll Call No. 05-344, on June 20, 2005, City Council approved soliciting bids for improvements to Cownie Soccer Park to meet the requirements of an agreement with the U.S. Youth Soccer Association for the National Championships to be held in Des Moines in 2006.

By Roll Call No. 05-1828 on July 25, 2005, City Council approved the awarding of a construction contract to Legacy Construction Company for the Cownie Soccer Park improvements.

The Purchasing Division of the Finance Department solicited bids for relocation of bleachers no longer being used at Principal Park Stadium to this project. There were two possible bidders in central Iowa for this type of contract, but American Aluminum Seating, Inc. of Marshalltown, IA, was the only bidder.

Council Communication No. 05-344 stated that a 750-seat set of bleachers located at Principal Park Stadium would be relocated from Principal Park to Field #6 at the Cownie Soccer Complex. This set of bleachers will be renovated to meet current access and building codes.

In addition, a second set of bleachers with a seating capacity of 450 will also become available at Principal Park Stadium. This set of bleachers was originally planned to be relocated to the Regional Softball Complex, but the bleachers are too large for the available space at the complex. Consequently, this second set of bleachers will be relocated to Field #8 at the Cownie Soccer Complex and renovated to meet current building codes.

The addition of these seats are required as part of hosting the USYSA National Championships in 2006. The seats from Principal offer a chance to provide a higher quality chair. Of the thousands of seats being removed from Principal, we will select chairs that still have a usable life.