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## **COUNCIL COMMUNICATION**

### **City Manager's Office**

#### **GENERAL INFORMATION**

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Submitted by: Jeb E. Brewer, P.E., City Engineer

#### **SUBJECT—**

Approving Change Order No. 1 with Pro Environmental Abatement, Inc., under its Annual Demolition Contract – Asbestos Removal at 1308-1310 Grand Avenue, in an amount not to exceed \$23,987.00.

#### **SYNOPSIS—**

Change Order No. 1 in an amount not to exceed \$23,987.00 has been negotiated with Pro Environmental Abatement, Inc., Robert V. Jorgenson, President, 1533 Ohio Street, Des Moines, IA, 50314, for additional work under its Annual Demolition Contract – Asbestos Removal at 1308-1310 Grand Avenue, for removal of asbestos-containing caulk in the mortar joints on the brick building face.

#### **FISCAL IMPACT—**

Funding for this change order is available in the Capital Improvements Program, Western Gateway, Account 5423080, Fund CP065, Organization CMO990000, Project URR027, Activity ID 25-2005-053, Gateway West 13<sup>th</sup> – 15<sup>th</sup> Street Asbestos Removal

#### **RECOMMENDATION—**

Approval

#### **BACKGROUND—**

On June 30, 2005, the City Engineer received and opened bids for solicitations under the Annual Demolition Contract – Asbestos Removal for asbestos removal at eleven structures associated with the Western Gateway project between 13<sup>th</sup> and 15<sup>th</sup> Streets and Grand Avenue and Locust Street, which included asbestos removal at 1308-1310 Grand Avenue. The low bidder for this work was Pro Environmental Abatement, Inc., Robert V. Jorgenson, President, 1533 Ohio Street, Des Moines, IA, 50314, in the total amount of \$56,220.00, which included a cost of \$3,890.00 for the removal at 1308-1310 Grand Avenue of asbestos identified in the initial survey.

During the asbestos removal process, Pro Environmental Abatement discovered that the mortar joints on the entire brick face of the building were covered with a brown caulk material. 1308-1310 Grand Avenue is a three-story brick building approximately 85 feet wide. This caulk material had not been identified and tested for asbestos-containing materials during the initial asbestos survey. Samples of this caulk material were taken and test results indicated that the caulk did contain asbestos in excess of the Iowa Department of Natural Resources action limits. Therefore, the caulk material in all the horizontal and vertical mortar joints in the north face of the building along Grand Avenue, as well as approximately 20 feet of the east face of the building, which abuts Grand Avenue, must be removed and disposed of as asbestos-containing material before demolition. This change order provides for the removal and disposal of all this asbestos-containing material.