



**Council
Communication**
Office of the City Manager

Date

June 5, 2006

Agenda Item No. 53
Roll Call No. 06-
Communication No. 06-349
Submitted by: Jeb E. Brewer, P.E., City
Engineer

AGENDA HEADING:

Public Hearing on 2006 Sidewalk Replacement Program - Contract 2: Resolution approving plans, specifications, form of contract documents, engineer's estimate, receive and file bids, and designating lowest responsible bidder as Castle Concrete Services Inc., Anthony Castellano, President, \$163,900.

SYNOPSIS:

Recommend the City Council hold a public hearing to allow for public input on the 2006 Sidewalk Replacement Program - Contract 2 and take the necessary actions as required by Iowa Code to authorize a contract for construction of the proposed project. This project provides for a citywide program to replace deteriorated city sidewalks, sidewalks damaged by city activities, and sidewalks for residents who qualify for assessment subsidy.

FISCAL IMPACT:

Amount: \$163,900 Construction Contract

Funding Source: 2006-2007 CIP, Page Sidewalk -4, City-wide Sidewalk Replacement - Public Works, STR084, G. O. Bonds, Being: \$100,000 in FY2005-06 and \$64,000 in 2006-07.

This project is funded in part by FY2007 G. O. Bonds, and a review process to reconsider all FY07 G. O. Bond funded projects has been initiated. This project will receive a strong recommendation from the City Manager. If bond funding is ultimately not approved, staff will recommend the use of gaming revenues to replace bond funding.

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION:

On May 8, 2006, under Roll Call No. 06-878, the City Council received and filed plans, specifications, form of contract documents, and City Engineer's estimate for the construction of the 2006 Sidewalk Replacement Program - Contract 2. Before the City Council can enter into a contract, it must hold a public hearing and approve the proposed plans, specifications, and form of contract documents and engineer's estimate for the construction of the 2006 Sidewalk Replacement Program - Contract 2, 09-2006-005. The improvement includes reconstruction of Class A and Class B Portland cement concrete

sidewalks four (4) inches thick, (six (6) inches thick at driveways), together with all appurtenances; in accordance with the contract documents at various locations City-wide. Sidewalk will be replaced at locations inspected by the Public Works Department. Handicapped accessible ramps will also be constructed in the vicinity where sidewalks will be replaced.

Sealed bids for said improvement were submitted by the following bidders:

Castle Concrete Services Inc., Johnston, IA

The bids were received and opened at a public meeting presided over by the City Engineer in the City Council Chambers, 2nd Floor, City Hall, 400 Robert D Ray Drive, Des Moines, Iowa at 11:00 a.m. on May 23, 2006. Said bids and the tabulation of bids for said improvement should be received and filed.

Only one bid was received for this 2006 Sidewalk Replacement Program - Contract 2 project. On February 20, 2006, under Roll Call No. 06-401, the City Council awarded the contract for the 2006 Sidewalk Replacement Program – Contract 1 to Universal Concrete, Ltd. in the amount of \$92,126.50. Contract 1 had five bidders submitting bids ranging from \$92,126.50 to \$160,350. All five of the companies that submitted bids in February on Contract 1 obtained bidding documents for this Contract 2; however, only Castle Concrete Services Inc. submitted a bid in the amount of \$163,900 for this Contract 2. In addition to those five companies, there were also eight other companies doing concrete work that obtained bidding documents for this Contract 2; but did not submit a bid. The bid items and quantities for Contract 1 were similar those of this Contract 2 project, so the type of work and bid process were not factors in receiving the single bid. The twelve other companies simply decided not to bid this project for business reasons such as scheduling and existing workload.

The City Engineer has determined that the lowest responsible, responsive bid for the construction of said improvement was submitted by Castle Concrete Services Inc., Anthony Castellano, President, P.O. Box 993, Johnston, IA, 50131 in the amount of \$163,900.00, and said bid should be accepted. The Finance Director has determined that funds are available for said improvement as stated above.

PREVIOUS COUNCIL ACTION(S):

Date: May 8, 2006

Roll Call Number: 06-878

Action: Ordering Construction of the following: 2006 Sidewalk Replacement Program – Contract 2 – Receiving of bids, (5-23-06), and Setting date of hearing, (6-5-06). (Construction Estimate - \$174,900). (Council Communication No. 06-253)

BOARD/COMMISSION ACTION(S): NONE

Date:

Roll Call Action:

Action:

ANTICIPATED ACTIONS AND FUTURE COMMITMENTS:

Partial payments to the contractor and final acceptance of work.