



Council Communication

Office of the City Manager

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Agenda Item No.	7A
Roll Call No.	07-
Communication No.	07-189
Submitted by:	Jeb E. Brewer, P.E. City Engineer

AGENDA HEADING:

Ordering construction of the following: Crivaro Park & Bates Park Playground Improvements - Receiving bids, (4-24-07), and Setting date of hearing, (5-7-07). (Construction Estimate - \$236,520).

SYNOPSIS:

Recommend the City Council proceed with construction of the improvement utilizing the method of financing referenced below. The new playground system at Crivaro Park, which is part of the approved master plan for Crivaro Park, will replace the existing playground equipment with equipment that is powder-coated steel, is safer, lasts longer, and requires less maintenance. The new playground provides handicap access to 100% of the play elements through the use a poured in place rubber surface surrounding the playground elements. The existing basketball courts at Bates and Crivaro Parks are heavily used and in need of replacement due to large cracks and an uneven asphalt surface. The new basketball courts will provide safe and modern basketball facilities. The City Council should set dates to receive bids and hold a public hearing as required by Iowa Code.

FISCAL IMPACT:

Amount: \$236,520 City Engineer's Estimate

Funding Source: 2007-2008 CIP, Page Park-19, Park Redevelopment, PKS100, G. O. Bonds

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION:

The Engineering Department has prepared plans, specifications, form of contract documents, and City Engineer's estimate for the construction of the Crivaro Park & Bates Park Playground Improvements, 11-2007-009. The improvement includes installation of a play structure, basketball courts and goals, PCC paving and restoration; all in accordance with the contract documents, including Plan File Nos. 472-102/109 at Crivaro Park, SE 14th Street and Railroad Avenue, and Bates Park, 4th Street and Clark Street, Des Moines, Iowa.

The estimated construction cost is \$236,520. The proposed plans, specifications, and form of contract documents are available for public inspection in the City Engineer's Office.

PREVIOUS COUNCIL ACTION(S): NONE

BOARD/COMMISSION ACTION(S): NONE

ANTICIPATED ACTIONS AND FUTURE COMMITMENTS:

Anticipated actions include public hearing, receive and file bids, designate lowest bidder, and approve contract and bond; also partial payments to the contractor and final acceptance of work.