



**Council**  
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Office of the City Manager

<b>Date</b>	April 23, 2007
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<b>Agenda Item No.</b>	7
<b>Roll Call No.</b>	<u>07-</u>
<b>Communication No.</b>	<u>07-223</u>
<b>Submitted by:</b>	<b>Jeb E. Brewer, P.E.</b> <b>City Engineer</b>

**AGENDA HEADING:**

Approving Professional Services Agreement with Calhoun-Burns & Associates, Inc. for the City-Wide Bridge Evaluation - 2007, not to exceed \$89,800.

**SYNOPSIS:**

Recommend approval of the Professional Services Agreement with Calhoun-Burns & Associates, Inc., Michael Vanderwert, President, P.O. Box 65859, West Des Moines, Iowa, 50265-0859, for hourly rates not to exceed \$89,800, for the City-Wide Bridge Evaluation – 2007.

**FISCAL IMPACT:**

Amount: \$89,800

Funding Source: 2007-08 CIP, Page Bridge-5, BRV003, City-Wide Bridges, G.O. Bonds

**ADDITIONAL INFORMATION:**

The City-Wide Bridge Evaluation – 2007 will provide for a detailed inspection of sixty-one bridges, viaducts, and culverts. The consultant will perform an in-depth field inspection of each structure to determine its structural condition and identify any needed repair or rehabilitation work. Iowa Structure Inventory and Appraisal Sheets, in accordance with the National Bridge Inspection Standards established by the Federal Highway Administration, will be prepared for each structure. Load ratings for each structure will be calculated based on the new load factor method.

A comprehensive report identifying the condition of each bridge and providing recommendations for repair, rehabilitation, and replacement for each structure, and probable construction costs for a ten-year implementation plan will be provided.

An RFP for these professional services was sent to eight consultants and posted on the City's web site. Three proposals were received in response to the RFP. A selection committee composed of representatives from the Public Works and Engineering Departments rated the proposals. Calhoun-Burns & Associates, Inc. was the unanimous selection of the committee based on their qualifications, extensive State-wide experience with bridge inspection programs, and established working relationship with the Iowa Department of Transportation.

Staff has negotiated a Professional Services Agreement with Calhoun-Burns & Associates, Inc. for hourly rates not to exceed \$89,800 to provide this evaluation.

**PREVIOUS COUNCIL ACTION(S): NONE**

**BOARD/COMMISSION ACTION(S): NONE**

**ANTICIPATED ACTIONS AND FUTURE COMMITMENTS:**

Normal Council actions on consultant services.