



# Council Communication

Office of the City Manager

Date

September 10, 2007

Agenda Item No. 71  
Roll Call No. 07-  
Communication No. 07-559  
Submitted by: Jeb E. Brewer, P.E.  
City Engineer

## AGENDA HEADING:

Hearing on Union Park Parking Lot - Phase 1: Resolution approving plans, specifications, form of contract documents, engineer's estimate, receive and file bids, and designating lowest responsible bidder as Grimes Asphalt & Paving Corp., J M Yonker, President, 12021 NW 54th Avenue, Grimes, IA, 50111, \$214,048.

## SYNOPSIS:

This is a public hearing to allow for public input on the Union Park Parking Lot - Phase 1 and take the necessary actions as required by Iowa Code to authorize a contract for construction of the proposed project. These improvements are the first phase in the implementation of the North Union Park Site Development Plan. That plan, completed for the Park and Recreation Department by Dunbar/Jones in August 2006, was based on input gathered from the Union Park Neighborhood Association, Park and Recreation staff, and the Police Department. One of the main concerns raised by everyone was the poor design, location, and safety of the existing parking lot between the Heritage Carousel and the Rocket Slide. These issues along with the problems caused by large groups congregating in the parking lot were the subjects of the recent public complaints to the Council. It is the hope of the Park and Recreation Department that this construction will help alleviate these issues.

## FISCAL IMPACT:

Amount: \$214,048 Construction Contract (\$196,536 City Engineer's Estimate)

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

## ADDITIONAL INFORMATION:

On August 6, 2007, under Roll Call No. 07-1483, the City Council received and filed plans, specifications, form of contract documents, and City Engineer's estimate for the construction of the Union Park Parking Lot - Phase 1. 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 Union Park Parking Lot - Phase 1, 11-2007-010. The Union Park Parking Lot - Phase 1 improvements will remove a portion of the existing parking lot at the north end of Union Park and reconfigure the parking lot with reconstruction of two separate parking lots near the shelter and wading pool including resurfacing, new curb & gutter, new sidewalks, storm sewer, landscaping, and other incidental items; in accordance with the contract documents, including Plans File Nos. 480-031/050, at Union Park near Saylor Road and Guthrie Avenue, Des Moines, Iowa.

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

Grimes Asphalt & Paving Corp., Grimes, IA  
Elder Corporation, Des Moines, IA  
Castle Concrete Services Inc., Johnston, IA - Bid read under advisement

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 August 28, 2007.

The City Engineer has determined that the lowest responsive, responsible bid for the construction of said improvement was submitted by Grimes Asphalt & Paving Corp., in the amount of \$214,048, 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: August 6, 2007

Roll Call Number: 07-1483

Action: Union Park Parking Lot – Phase 1 – Receiving of bids, (8-28-07), and Setting date of hearing, (9-10-07). (Construction Estimate - \$196,536). (Council Communication No. 07-485) Moved by Vlassis to adopt. Motion Carried 7-0.

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

**ANTICIPATED ACTIONS AND FUTURE COMMITMENTS:**

Partial payments to the contractor and final acceptance of work.