



# Council Communication

Office of the City Manager

<b>Date</b>	February 11, 2008
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<b>Agenda Item No.</b>	<b>53</b>
<b>Roll Call No.</b>	<b>08-</b>
<b>Communication No.</b>	<b>08-070</b>
<b>Submitted by:</b>	<b>Jeb E. Brewer, P.E.</b> <b>City Engineer</b>

## AGENDA HEADING:

Hearing on Scott Avenue Bridge over Leetown Creekway: Resolution approving plans, specifications, form of contract documents, engineer's estimate, receive and file bids, and designating lowest responsible bidder as Sternquist Construction Inc., Britt Sternquist, President, 1110 N 14th Street, Indianola, IA, 50125, \$473,632.74.

## SYNOPSIS:

This is a public hearing to allow for public input on the Scott Avenue Bridge over Leetown Creekway and to take the necessary actions as required by Iowa Code to authorize a contract for construction of the proposed project. Recent bridge inspections have determined that this bridge has deteriorated beyond the point where it can be rehabilitated. The existing bridge structure, which is structurally and hydraulically deficient, will be replaced with a triple 12' x 6' x 64' long reinforced concrete box culvert.

## FISCAL IMPACT:

Amount: \$473,632.74 Construction Contract (\$550,741.70 City Engineer's Estimate)

Funding Source: 2007-2008 CIP, Page Bridge-13, Scott Avenue Bridge over Leetown Creekway, BRV037, being: Gaming Monies from the Agreement with Polk County and The Racing Association of Central Iowa

## ADDITIONAL INFORMATION:

On January 7, 2008, under Roll Call No. 08-018, the City Council received and filed plans, specifications, form of contract documents, and City Engineer's estimate for the construction of the Scott Avenue Bridge over Leetown Creekway. 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 Scott Avenue Bridge over Leetown Creekway, 12-2006-002. The improvement includes removal of the existing bridges and substructure, construction of a triple 12' x 6' x 64' long reinforced concrete box culvert, pavement removal, storm sewer and intakes, borrow and grading, PCC subbase, pavement, curb and gutter, sidewalks and driveways, HMA pavement and driveways, hydrant adjustment, sanitary manhole adjustments, fencing removal and installation, seeding, sodding, rip rap, construction survey, project sign, traffic control and mobilization; all in accordance with the contract documents including Plan File Nos. 478-137/168, in the 3100 to 3300 blocks of Scott Avenue, Des Moines, Iowa.

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

- Sternquist Construction Inc., Indianola, IA, Bid read under advisement
- Jenco Construction Inc., Des Moines, IA
- Herberger Construction Co., Inc., Indianola, IA
- Iowa Bridge & Culvert, LC, Washington, 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 January 29, 2008, and the bid received from Sternquist Construction Inc., Britt Sternquist, President, was read under advisement because Proposal Attachment: Part F - Additional Requirements, Item 1 - Identity of Subcontractors was not properly completed in that Sternquist Construction Inc. did not check the box to indicate that the Bidder does or does not intend to utilize subcontractors over \$25,000; however, Sternquist Construction Inc. did list three subcontractors in the space provided on the proposal to identify its subcontractors. Engineering Department Staff has contacted Mr. Brad Sternquist, of Sternquist Construction Inc, who stated that he listed the subcontractors over \$25,000 but inadvertently did not check the box on the proposal form, and that Sternquist Construction Inc. fully intends to use the subcontractors listed. After further review, the Engineering and Legal Departments have determined that this was a minority irregularity that could be waived by the City Council.

The City Engineer has determined that the lowest responsive, responsible bid for the construction of said improvement was submitted by Sternquist Construction Inc., in the amount of \$473,632.74, 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: January 7, 2008

Roll Call Number: 08-018

Action: Ordering construction of the following: Scott Avenue Bridge over Leetown Creekway – Receiving of bids, (1-29-08), and Setting date of hearing, (2-11-08). (Construction Estimate - \$550,741.70). (Council Communication No. 08-017) Moved by Vlassis to adopt. Motion Carried 7-0

Date: September 11, 2006

Roll Call Number: 06-1742

Action: Approving Professional Services Agreement with Shuck-Britson, Inc. for evaluation, design and construction phase services for replacement of Scott Avenue Bridge over Leetown Creekway, \$84,481. (Council Communication No. 06-562) Moved by Vlassis to adopt. Motion Carried 6-0.

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

#### **ANTICIPATED ACTIONS AND FUTURE COMMITMENTS:**

Partial payments to the contractor and final acceptance of work.