



Council Communication

Office of the City Manager

Date	February 11, 2008
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Agenda Item No.	51
Roll Call No.	08-
Communication No.	08-071
Submitted by:	Jeb E. Brewer, P.E. City Engineer

AGENDA HEADING:

Hearing on American Discovery Trail Segment 3 from North Valley Drive to Bill Riley Trail along Walnut Creek: Resolution approving plans, specifications, form of contract documents, engineer's estimate, receive and file bids, and designating lowest responsible bidder as Sheets Excavating, Ltd., Charles Sheets, President, 122 Hillcrest Ridge, Montezuma, IA, 50171-3760, \$356,974.84.

SYNOPSIS:

This is a public hearing to allow for public input on the American Discovery Trail Segment 3 from North Valley Drive to Bill Riley Trail along Walnut Creek and to take the necessary actions as required by Iowa Code to authorize a contract for construction of the proposed project. The Iowa Department of Transportation and the City of Des Moines have an agreement, previously approved by the City Council, under which the IDOT has agreed to advertise, receive, open and tabulate sealed bids. This project provides for the construction of a 10' wide trail from the existing Walnut Creek Trail at North Valley Drive to the existing Bill Riley Trail south of Ashworth Park, providing an important connection in the City's trail system.

FISCAL IMPACT:

Amount: \$356,974.84 Construction Contract (\$450,000 City Engineer's Estimate)

Funding Source: 2007-2008 CIP, Page Park-22, Recreation Trails, PKS045, various funding, being: \$272,895.07 - 80% of Division 1 construction cost of \$341,118.84 from Federal STP Grant (Roll Call No. 01-2113 - \$773,000 max total for trail Segments 1, 3, and 4); and \$84,079.77 - City G.O. Bonds for 20% of Division 1 construction cost and 100% of Division 2 construction cost.

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION:

On January 7, 2008, under Roll Call No. 08-016, the City Council received and filed plans, specifications, form of contract documents, and City Engineer's estimate for the construction of the American Discovery Trail Segment 3 from North Valley Drive to Bill Riley Trail along Walnut Creek. 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 American Discovery Trail Segment 3 from North Valley Drive to Bill Riley Trail along Walnut Creek, 11-2004-017. The improvement includes construction of a 10 foot wide hot mix asphalt trail 6.0 inches thick, earthwork, clearing and grubbing, culverts, and other incidental items; in accordance with the contract documents, including Plan File Nos. 479-097/130, on the American Discovery Trail from the existing American Discovery Trail at North Valley Drive north of Walnut Creek to the Bill Riley Trail

south of the existing railroad crossing.

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

- Sheets Excavating, Ltd., Montezuma, IA
- OMG Midwest, Inc. d/b/a Des Moines Asphalt & Paving, Des Moines, IA
- Elder Corporation, Des Moines, IA
- Grimes Asphalt & Paving Corp., Grimes, IA
- Reilly Construction Co., Inc., Des Moines, IA

The bids, in accordance with a previously approved IDOT Agreement, were received and opened by IDOT on January 16, 2008. The attached tabulation of bids by the IDOT for said improvement be and is hereby received, and filed.

The City Engineer has determined that the lowest responsive, responsible bid for the construction of said improvement was submitted by Sheets Excavating, Ltd., in the amount of \$356,974.84, 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: 08-016

Action: Ordering construction of the following: American Discovery Trail Segment 3 from North Valley Drive to Bill Riley Trail along Walnut Creek – Receiving of bids, (1-16-08), and Setting date of hearing, (2-11-08). (Construction Estimate - \$450,000). (Council Communication No. 08-016) Moved by Vlassis to adopt. Motion Carried 7-0.

Date: December 3, 2007

Roll Call Number: 07-2335

Action: On American Discovery Trail Wetlands Mitigation: Resolution approving plans, specifications, form of contract documents, Engineer's Estimate and designating lowest responsible bidder as C.A.C., Inc., (Chris Christensen, Owner), \$126,370. (Council Communication No. 07-721) Moved by Kiernan to adopt. Motion Carried 7-0.

Date: December 3, 2007

Roll Call Number: 07-2336

Action: Approving contract and bond and permission to sublet. Moved by Kiernan to adopt. Motion Carried 7-0.

Date: July 9, 2001

Roll Call Number: 01-2113

Action: Contract with the Iowa Department of Transportation (IDOT) for the IDOT Transportation Enhancement Grant, \$773,000 for development of Phases II and III of the Walnut Creek Trail and Waterworks Trail. (Council Communication No. 01-369). Moved by Hensley to adopt. Transfer of trail system to the County was discussed as well as the need for trail maps. Motion Carried 4-3. Absent: Daniels, Brooks and Vlassis.

BOARD/COMMISSION ACTION(S): NONE

ANTICIPATED ACTIONS AND FUTURE COMMITMENTS:

Partial payments to the contractor and final acceptance of work.