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City Manager/Public Works/Engineering

AGENDA HEADING:

Ordering construction of the following: 2008 Flood Sewer Repair Contract 1 - receiving bids, (9-30-08), and setting date of hearing, (10-13-08). (Construction Estimate - \$135,000).

SYNOPSIS:

Recommend the City Council proceed with construction of the improvement and set dates to receive bids and hold a public hearing, as required by Iowa Code, utilizing the method of financing referenced below. This project is repair of sanitary, storm sewer infrastructure at three locations damaged during the 2008 heavy rains, and flooding, which are eligible for FEMA funding under Disaster Number: FEMA-1763-DR-IA, which is the Disaster Declaration for Public Assistance.

FISCAL IMPACT:

Amount: \$135,000 City Engineer's Estimate

<u>Funding Source</u>: 2008/2009 Operating Budget, 2008 Storms Mitigation/Recovery, OPR178. This project is repair of infrastructure damaged during the 2008 Iowa Disaster and is eligible under Disaster Number: FEMA-1763-DR-IA, which is the Disaster Declaration for Public Assistance. Funding is 75% FEMA (\$101,250), 10% Iowa State Emergency Funds (\$13,500), and 15% Des Moines Local Match (\$20,250) being a transfer of \$13,350 in sanitary sewer funds from City-wide Sanitary Sewers, SAE054, Page Sanitary-5 of the 2008-2009 CIP and a transfer of \$6,900 in storm water utility funds from City-wide Storm Water Utility Projects, STE057, Page Storm Water-5 of the 2008-2009 CIP.

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION:

The June 2008 heavy rains and flooding on the Des Moines and Raccoon Rivers resulted in surcharge of the sanitary and storm sewers, which caused damage to this public infrastructure at many locations. The City Council has approved several emergency repair contracts since the June flooding for urgent repairs to damaged sanitary and storm sewers that needed to be repaired immediately. The repair work included in this project is not a crisis that needs to be repaired immediately, and the work can be bid under the standard Iowa Code bidding procedures.

The Engineering Department has prepared plans, specifications, form of contract documents, and City Engineer's estimate for the construction of the 2008 Flood Sewer Repair Contract 1, 07-2009-020. The improvement includes repair of sanitary and storm sewers damaged during the 2008 Iowa Disaster, excavation and removal of fill material, HMA street restoration, granular surfacing, chain link fence and

site restoration, all in accordance with the contract documents including Plan File Nos. 492-007/012 at SW 5th Street and the Raccoon River, SE 8th Street and Railroad Avenue, and Water Street at the confluence of the Des Moines and Raccoon Rivers, Des Moines, Iowa.

The estimated construction cost is \$135,000. 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.

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