

Council Communication

Office of the City Manager

Date March 22, 2010

Agenda Item No. 37
Roll Call No. 10Communication No. 10-163

Submitted by: Jeb E. Brewer, P.E.

City Engineer

AGENDA HEADING:

Hearing on 2010 Midblock School Signal Upgrade: Resolution approving plans, specifications, form of contract documents, engineer's estimate, receive and file bids and designating lowest responsible bidder as Baker Electric, Inc., Britt Baker, CEO, 111 Jackson Avenue, Des Moines, IA, 50315, \$22,880.

SYNOPSIS:

This is a public hearing to allow for public input on the 2010 Midblock School Signal Upgrade and take the necessary actions, as required by Iowa Code, to authorize a contract for construction of the proposed project. This project involves the permanent installation of midblock pedestrian traffic signals near three elementary schools (Brubaker Elementary, Hillis Elementary and King Elementary). These locations are currently signalized with temporary signals. The project also includes the installation of school speed limit flashers on E 46th Street (Delaware Elementary), which was recently annexed.

FISCAL IMPACT:

Amount: \$22,880 Construction Contract (\$35,000 City Engineer's Estimate)

<u>Funding Source</u>: 2009-2010 CIP, Page Traffic Control-5, City-wide Signals, Channelization and School Crossing Protection Program, TFC091, G.O. Bonds.

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION:

On February 22, 2010, under Roll Call No. 10-248, the City Council received and filed plans, specifications, form of contract documents and City Engineer's estimate for the construction of the 2010 Midblock School Signal Upgrade. Before the City Council can enter into a contract, it must hold a public hearing and approve the proposed plans, specifications, form of contract documents and engineer's estimate for the construction of the 2010 Midblock School Signal Upgrade, 04-2010-008. The improvement includes permanent installation of midblock pedestrian traffic signals near three elementary schools, which are currently signalized with temporary signals. This project also includes installation of school speed limit flashers on E 46th Street. All upgrades in accordance with the contract documents, including Plan File Nos. 509-115/118 at the following locations: E 42nd Street – North of Morton Avenue, Urbandale Avenue – East of 56th Street, Forest Avenue – East of 18th Street, 3rd Street at Court Avenue and E 46th Street – South of Hubbell Avenue, Des Moines, Iowa.

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

Baker Electric, Inc., Des Moines, IA

Voltmer, Inc., Decorah, IA The Waldinger Corporation, Des Moines, IA Iowa Signal Inc., Clive, 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, IA, 50309, at 11:00 a.m. on March 9, 2010.

The City Engineer has determined that the lowest responsive, responsible bid for the construction of said improvement was submitted by Baker Electric, Inc., in the amount of \$22,880, 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: February 22, 2010

Roll Call Number: 10-248

<u>Action</u>: Ordering construction of the following: <u>2010</u> Midblock School Signal Upgrade: Receiving of bids, (3-9-10), and Setting date of hearing, (3-22-10). (Construction Estimate - \$35,000). (<u>Council Communication No. 10-100</u>) Moved by Hensley 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.

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