

 <p style="text-align: center;">Council Communication Office of the City Manager</p>	Date:	October 11, 2010
	Agenda Item No.	45
	Roll Call No.	<u>10-1693</u>
	Communication No.	<u>10-606</u>
	Submitted by:	Jeb E. Brewer, P.E. City Engineer

AGENDA HEADING:

Reject all bids on 2010 Golf Course Sewer Repairs and to close the hearing on the plans, specifications, form of contract and Engineer’s estimate.

SYNOPSIS:

Recommend the City Council reject all bids received on September 28, 2010, because only two bids were received; and the lowest bid submitted by Synergy Contracting LLC, Matt DeMey, Owner, P.O. Box 694, Ankeny, IA 50021, in the amount of \$474,108.70 was 53% over the project estimate of \$310,000, and exceeded the project budget. This project provides for the repair of fairways, tee box, storm sewers, drainageways, and subdrains that were damaged by erosion or slope failure during the flooding in 2008 at Blank and Waveland Golf Courses. Parks and Engineering Department staff will reevaluate the overall project scope and the project design to repackage the repairs at Blank Golf Course and the rebuilding of the 17th hole tee at Waveland Golf Course to be bid in early 2011.

FISCAL IMPACT:

Amount: N/A

Funding Source: 2010-2011 CIP, Page Parks-13, Neighborhood Park Improvements, PKS137, being: 2010-2011 CIP, Page Parks-13, Neighborhood Park Improvements, PKS137, being \$100,000 with transfers from: Page Parks-6, Community Center Improvements, PKS033, being \$60,000; Page Parks-12, Maintenance Facility Improvements, PKS160, being \$125,000; Page Parks-16, Park Building Improvements, PKS143, being \$25,000

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION:

The City Engineer recommends rejection of all bids because only two bids were received; and the lowest bid submitted by Synergy Contracting LLC, in the amount of \$474,108.70 was 53% over the project estimate of \$310,000, and exceeded the project budget. The Park and Recreation Department desires to reevaluate the storm water issues and related golf course design at Waveland Golf Course. Staff will prepare a request for proposals to hire a golf course architect and a civil engineer to evaluate design options for the golf course. It may be possible to manage some of this storm water run-off on the golf course site through the use of wetlands or ponds, thereby retaining more water on the course rather than sending it further downstream.

On September 13, 2010, under Roll Call No. 10-1433, the City Council received and filed plans, specifications, form of contract documents, and City Engineer's estimate for the construction of the 2010

Golf Course Sewer Repairs. 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 2010 Golf Course Sewer Repairs, 11-2010-009. The improvement includes repair of storm sewers and subdrains that failed during the heavy rains of 2008 including construction of culverts, intakes, subdrains, grading, restoration of pavement and landscaping, and other incidental items; in accordance with the contract documents including Plan File Nos. 524-097/137, located on Waveland Golf Course and Blank Golf Course, Des Moines, Iowa.

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

Synergy Contracting LLC, Ankeny, IA
Rochon Corporation of Iowa, Inc., Urbandale, 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 September 28, 2010.

The City Engineer recommends rejection of all bids because only two bids were received; and the lowest bid submitted by Synergy Contracting LLC, in the amount of \$474,108.70 was 53% over the project estimate of \$310,000, and exceeded the project budget. The City Engineer recommends that the project be rebid at a later date.

PREVIOUS COUNCIL ACTION(S):

Date: September 13, 2010

Roll Call Number: [10-1433](#)

Action: Ordering construction of the following: [2010](#) Golf Course Sewer Repairs - Receiving bids, (September 28, 2010), and Setting date of hearing, (October 11, 2010). ([Construction Estimate - \\$310,000.00](#)).

BOARD/COMMISSION ACTION(S): NONE

ANTICIPATED ACTIONS AND FUTURE COMMITMENTS:

Redesign the project and present resolutions to City Council to authorize bids in the future. Award a contract to a golf course designer to evaluate and propose solutions for storm water issues at Waveland Golf Course.

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