

Council Communication

Office of the City Manager

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Agenda Item No.

Roll Call No. <u>10-1821</u> Communication No. <u>10-665</u>

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City Engineer

AGENDA HEADING:

Approving Professional Services Agreement with Foth Infrastructure and Environment, LLC, for design and construction phase services for the Army Post Road and Indianola Avenue Culvert Extension, not to exceed \$84,750.

SYNOPSIS:

Recommend approval of the Professional Services Agreement with Foth Infrastructure and Environment, LLC, Douglas Ernst, Senior Project Manager, 8191 Birchwood Court, Suite L, Johnston, Iowa 50131, for an hourly agreement not to exceed \$84,750, to provide professional design and construction phase services for the Army Post Road and Indianola Avenue Culvert Extension project based on hourly rates.

FISCAL IMPACT:

Amount: \$84,750

Funding Source: 2010-2011 CIP – Page Storm Water Improvements-2, City-wide Storm Water Utility

Projects, STE057

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION:

Slope failures have been observed along the south roadway embankment of Army Post Road immediately east of the intersection with Indianola Avenue. It was determined that the slope failures may eventually compromise the integrity of Army Post Road. At the request of the City Engineer, Terracon prepared a geotechnical engineering report. This report provided two feasible alternatives. The alternative recommended in the report and by City staff is to extend the culvert under Indianola Avenue approximately four hundred feet to the east. This alternative will allow the slopes to be graded flatter and provides the largest improvement to long-term slope stability.

In 2009, Council approved a professional services agreement with Foth Infrastructure & Environment, LLC for the design and construction phase services on the East Army Post Trunk Sanitary Sewer project. Based on their previously demonstrated qualifications and experience as well as their knowledge of existing utilities due to recent work in the immediate area, Foth Infrastructure & Environment, LLC was selected for the Army Post Road and Indianola Avenue Culvert Extension project. Staff has negotiated a Professional Services Agreement with Foth Infrastructure & Environment, LLC, at hourly rates not to exceed \$84,750, to provide design and construction phase services.

PREVIOUS COUNCIL ACTION(S): NONE

BOARD/COMMISSION ACTION(S): NONE

ANTICIPATED ACTIONS AND FUTURE COMMITMENTS:

Normal Council actions on consultant services for design.

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