

 <p style="text-align: center;">Council Communication Office of the City Manager</p>	Date: May 23, 2011
	Agenda Item No. 13A Roll Call No. [_____] Communication No. <u>11-295</u> Submitted by: Jeb E. Brewer, P.E. City Engineer

AGENDA HEADING:

Approving Professional Services Agreement with Foth Infrastructure and Environment, LLC in connection with design and construction phase services for the 2011 Sewer Repair Contract 1 project, not to exceed \$132,134.

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, IA), for a total cost not to exceed \$132,134, based on hourly rates, to provide design and construction phase services for the 2011 Sewer Repair Contract 1.

FISCAL IMPACT:

Amount: \$132,134

Funding Source: 2011-2012 CIP, Page Storm Water Improvements – 4, City-wide Storm Water Utility Projects, Storm Revenue Bonds, partial reimbursement from FEMA Public Assistance Grant.

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION:

In 2010, the City of Des Moines was affected by several severe storms containing large amounts of precipitation, which caused local flash flooding and river flooding. This flooding caused damage to City storm and sanitary sewer infrastructure at approximately ninety locations throughout the City. A number of these locations have been repaired both by Public Works Department crews and by contracts administered by the Engineering Department. There are currently 44 remaining locations where repairs have not been initiated. Staff from the Public Works and Engineering Departments met to develop a strategy for repairing these remaining locations. Due to current workload, it was determined that 29 of these remaining repairs needed to be designed by consultants and constructed by a contract administered by the Engineering Department.

Some of these repairs may be eligible for partial reimbursement by FEMA. In order to be eligible for FEMA funding, the repairs must be completed by January, 2012. In order to expedite the design process, staff from Public Works and Engineering selected Foth to perform engineering services for 14 of the sites. Foth was selected based on their past experience with similar projects. Staff has negotiated a Professional Services Agreement with Foth for a total cost not to exceed \$132,134, based on hourly rates, to provide design and construction phase services.

It is anticipated that several temporary and permanent easements will be needed for the construction of this project. Relocation assistance will not be necessary for this project.

PREVIOUS COUNCIL ACTION(S): NONE

BOARD/COMMISSION ACTION(S): NONE

ANTICIPATED ACTIONS AND FUTURE COMMITMENTS:

Normal Council actions on consultant services for design and construction administration, and construction contracts.

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