

 <p style="text-align: center;">Council Communication Office of the City Manager</p>	Date:	May 21, 2012
	Agenda Item No.	60
	Roll Call No.	<u>12-0839</u>
	Communication No.	<u>12-240</u>
	Submitted by:	Jeb E. Brewer, P.E., City Engineer

AGENDA HEADING:

Hearing on Columbus Park & McHenry Park Water Features: Resolution approving plans, specifications, form of contract documents, engineer’s estimate, receive and file bids, and designating lowest responsible bidder as The Hansen Company, Inc., Craig Faber, President, 5665 Greendale Road, Suite A, Johnston, Iowa 50131, \$477,164.10.

SYNOPSIS:

This is a public hearing to allow for public input on the Columbus Park & McHenry Park Water Features, and take the necessary actions as required by Iowa Code, to authorize a contract for construction of the proposed project. This project provides for the replacement of the outdated wading pools at these two parks, with new water features that will provide enhanced play opportunities and better service to the neighborhoods.

FISCAL IMPACT:

Amount: \$477,164.10 Construction Contract (\$400,000 City Engineer's Estimate).

Funding Source: 2012-2013 CIP, Page Parks - 22, Wading Pool Improvements, PKS034, Being: \$300,000 of G.O. Bonds from PKS034 and \$77,164.10 of G.O. Bonds to be issued from PKS034, and the remaining \$100,000 a transfer of G.O. Bond funds from, PKS100, Park Redevelopment.

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION:

On April 23, 2012, under Roll Call No. 12-0588, the City Council received and filed plans, specifications, form of contract documents, and City Engineer's estimate for the construction of the Columbus Park & McHenry Park Water Features. 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 Columbus Park & McHenry Park Water Features, 11-2010-006. The improvement includes the installation of water features, resilient surfacing, sidewalk, limestone retaining walls, earthwork and restoration; all in accordance with the contract documents, including Plan File Nos. 543-112/121 at Columbus Park, 1921 SE 1st Street, and Mc Henry Park, 9th Street & Oak Park Avenue, Des Moines, Iowa.

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

The Hansen Company, Inc., Johnston, Iowa

Only one bid was received, from The Hansen Company, Inc. In addition to The Hansen Company, Inc., there were eleven other plan holders who indicated they would be prime bidders, but did not submit bids. Telephone calls were made to contractors and the contractors who indicated this was a very diverse project with several unique elements which are complicated to bid. The project included very limited elements such as earthwork or concrete, but no other primary elements other than the unique water feature items. The contractors noted these unusual projects take more time to bid since quotes need to be obtained for these unique items. The contractors noted they had sufficient work and were not interested in being a prime contractor on this diverse project at this time. Rebidding the project this year would not likely produce lower bids.

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 May 8, 2012.

The City Engineer has determined that the lowest responsive, responsible bid for the construction of said improvement was submitted by The Hansen Company, Inc., Craig Faber, President, 5665 Greendale Road, Suite A, Johnston, Iowa, 50131 in the amount of \$477,164.10, 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: April 23, 2012

Roll Call Number: [12-0588](#)

Action: Ordering construction of the following: [Columbus](#) Park & McHenry Park Water Features: Receiving of bids, (5-8-12), Setting date of hearing, (5-21-12). (Construction Estimate - \$400,000). ([Council Communication No. 12-180](#)). Moved by Moore 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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