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	Agenda Item No.	61
	Roll Call No.	<u>12-0841</u>
	Communication No.	<u>12-252</u>
	Submitted by:	Jeb E. Brewer, P.E., City Engineer

AGENDA HEADING:

Hearing on Woodland Cemetery Entrance Arch: Resolution approving plans, specifications, form of contract documents, engineer's estimate, receive and file bids, and designating lowest responsible bidder as Jensen Construction Company, Kurt E. Rasmussen, Owner, \$83,500.

SYNOPSIS:

This is a public hearing to allow for public input on the Woodland Cemetery Entrance Arch, and take the necessary actions as required by Iowa Code to authorize a contract for construction of the proposed project. This project will add an ornate arch to the existing gated entrance to Woodland Cemetery. Gerald LaBlanc has donated \$65,000 for the construction of this ornate entrance arch to Woodland Cemetery.

FISCAL IMPACT:

Amount: \$83,500 Construction Contract (\$69,500 City Engineer's Estimate)

Funding Source: FY12-13 Operating Budget, Page 194, SP725 - Woodland Cemetery Maintenance

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION:

On April 23, 2012, under Roll Call No. 12-0589, the City Council received and filed plans, specifications, form of contract documents, and City Engineer's estimate for the construction of the Woodland Cemetery Entrance Arch. 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 Woodland Cemetery Entrance Arch, 11-2008-006. The improvement includes the fabrication and installation of an ornate entrance arch and its structural support system for the existing Woodland Cemetery Entrance Gate, along with the necessary tree protection, traffic/pedestrian control, and driveway restoration; all in accordance with the contract documents, including Plan File Nos. 544-022/030, located at the entrance to Woodland Cemetery at the northwest corner of Woodland Avenue and Martin Luther King Jr. Parkway intersection in Des Moines, Iowa.

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

Jensen Construction Company, Des Moines, IA

Only one bid was received, from Jensen Construction Company. In addition to Jensen Construction

Company, there were seven 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 unique project with the primary element only being the fabricated arch. The project did not include other elements such as earthwork or concrete. The contractors noted they had sufficient work and were not interested in this unique project, which entailed specialty work fabricating an arch 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 Jensen Construction Company, Kurt E. Rasmussen, Owner, 5550 NE 22nd Street, Des Moines, Iowa, 50313 in the amount of \$83,500, 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: [12-0589](#)

Action: Ordering construction of the following: [Woodland](#) Cemetery Entrance Arch: Receiving of bids, (5-8-12), Setting date of hearing, (5-21-12). (Construction Estimate - \$69,500). ([Council Communication No. 12-181](#)). 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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