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|  <p style="text-align: center;">Council Communication Office of the City Manager</p> | Date: | May 21, 2012 |
| | Agenda Item No. | 9 |
| | Roll Call No. | <u>12-0768</u> |
| | Communication No. | <u>12-254</u> |
| | Submitted by: | Jeb E. Brewer, P.E., City Engineer |

AGENDA HEADING:

Approving Change Order No. 1 with Jenco Construction, Inc. for additional work on the Grand Avenue Bridge over Walnut Creek project, in an amount not to exceed \$129,000.

SYNOPSIS:

Recommend approval of Change Order No. 1 in an amount not to exceed \$129,000 with Jenco Construction, Inc., Herluf Jensen, President, 6804 NW 2nd Street, Des Moines, Iowa, 50313, to revise the bridge closure date to 2013 and adjust the completion date to provide a shorter bridge closure period.

FISCAL IMPACT:

Amount: \$129,000

Funding Source: 2012-2013 CIP, Page Bridge-11, Grand Avenue over Walnut Creek, BRV045, Being: a transfer of \$129,000 in gaming funds from BRV039

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION:

During the design of the Grand Avenue Bridge over Walnut Creek, the Engineering Department had multiple discussions with CenturyLink regarding the relocation of their cables, including a meeting on October 18, 2010 that was dedicated exclusively to utility conflicts. In the fall of 2011, CenturyLink representatives informed the City that a contract had been awarded for the relocations of their facilities. At the end of April 2012, CenturyLink informed the City that the relocation of their facilities would not be complete as originally planned. The City is in discussions with CenturyLink on participation in the cost of this change order.

In accordance with the approved agreement, the IDOT received and opened bids on March 20, 2012. On April 9, 2012, City Council held the public hearing and entered into a construction contract with Jenco Construction Inc., Herluf H.S. Jensen, President, 6804 NW 2nd Street, Des Moines, IA, 50313. On April 23, 2012, the Iowa Department of Transportation concurred with the award of the contract to Jenco Construction, Inc. On May 7, 2012, under Roll Call No. 12-0674, the City Council approved an agreement with the Iowa Department of Transportation that made State funding available in place of the Federal Highway Bridge Program funds. This agreement superseded the previous agreement. This change was administrative. All the contract requirements included in the project bid documents remain the same, including compliance with Davis Bacon.

The contract included a provision that the contractor was required to start work on the bridge on April 23, 2012. Due to administrative changes, the start date was delayed. On April 27, 2012, the preconstruction conference for the project was held. CenturyLink reported at that meeting that the contract for relocation of their facilities located within the bridge had not yet been bid as previously committed. On May 3, 2012, a letter was sent to CenturyLink and a meeting was held to provide a schedule to CenturyLink that would allow the bridge to be reopened prior to winter. Ongoing communication with CenturyLink determined that it was highly unlikely that their facilities could be relocated without causing significant delays to the contractor. These delays created a situation that would not allow the bridge to be completed prior to winter, which would result in the bridge being closed for up to a year, rather than the original seven-month time period.

Change Order No. 1 has been negotiated with the contractor to delay the demolition of the bridge until the spring of 2013. This change order compensates the contractor for storage of materials already purchased, anticipated cost increases for materials that cannot be purchased in advance, additional traffic control, temporary pavement, and acceleration cost to complete the work in a shorter closure period. This revised schedule will allow CenturyLink to complete relocation of their facilities and allow the contractor to complete preparatory work included in the contract. Next year's bridge closure time will be reduced by four weeks compared to the original plan for 2012.

PREVIOUS COUNCIL ACTION(S):

Date: May 7, 2012

Roll Call Number: [12-0674](#)

Action: [Approving](#) and authorizing the execution of Iowa Department of Transportation Agreement for Grand Avenue over Walnut Creek Bridge Replacement. ([Council Communication No. 12-215](#)) **Moved by Hensley to adopt. Motion Carried 7-0.**

Date: April 9, 2012

Roll Call Number: [12-0567](#) and [12-0568](#)

Action: [On](#) Grand Avenue Bridge Over Walnut Creek: Resolution approving plans, specifications, form of contract documents, engineer's estimate, receive and file bids, and designating lowest responsible bidder as Jenco Construction, Inc., (Herluf H.S. Jensen, President), \$3,316,610.69. ([Council Communication No. 12-155](#)) **Moved by Hensley to adopt. Motion Carried 7-0.**

(A) [Approving](#) contract and bond and permission to sublet. **Moved by Hensley to adopt. Motion Carried 7-0.**

Date: March 12, 2012

Roll Call Number: [12-0374](#)

Action: Ordering construction of the following: [Grand](#) Avenue Bridge over Walnut Creek: Receiving of bids, (3-20-12), Setting date of hearing, (4-9-12). (Construction Estimate - \$3,189,754.65). ([Council Communication No. 12-116](#)). Moved by Hensley to adopt. Motion Carried 7-0.

Date: July 11, 2011

Roll Call Number: [11-1229](#)

Action: 44-I From Council Member Skip Moore to discuss configuration of lanes and sidewalks on Grand Avenue Bridge over Walnut Creek Project. **Moved by Hensley to refer to the City Manager for review and recommendation. Motion Carried 7-0.**

Date: May 18, 2009

Roll Call Number: [09-825](#)

Action: Approving Professional Services Agreements for the following: [Shuck](#)-Britson, Inc. for evaluation, design and construction phase services for the Grand Avenue over Walnut Creek Bridge Replacement, not to exceed \$267,864. ([Council Communication No. 09-334](#)) Moved by Kiernan to adopt. Motion Carried 6-1. Absent: Cownie.

Date: March 24, 2008

Roll Call Number: [08-463](#)

Action: [Approving](#) execution of Iowa Department of Transportation (IDOT) Agreement for Grand Avenue over Walnut Creek Bridge Replacement. ([Council Communication No. 08-159](#)) Moved by Vlassis to adopt. Motion Carried 7-0.

BOARD/COMMISSION ACTION(S): NONE

ANTICIPATED ACTIONS AND FUTURE COMMITMENTS:

Normal Council actions on construction contracts.

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