 <p style="text-align: center;"><b>Council Communication</b> Office of the City Manager</p>	<b>Date:</b>	August 24, 2015
	<b>Agenda Item No.</b>	<b>49</b>
	<b>Roll Call No.</b>	<b><u>15-1456</u></b>
	<b>Communication No.</b>	<b><u>15-460</u></b>
	<b>Submitted by:</b>	<b>Pamela S. Cooksey, P.E., City Engineer</b>

**AGENDA HEADING:**

Hearing on 12th Street Two Way Conversion. Resolution approving plans, specifications, form of contract documents, engineer’s estimate, receive and file bids, and designating lowest responsible bidder as Baker Electric, Inc., Britt Baker, CEO, \$50,335.

**SYNOPSIS:**

This is a public hearing to allow for public input on the 12th Street Two Way Conversion and take the necessary actions as required by Iowa Code to authorize a contract for construction of the proposed project. This project consists of changing 12th Street between Mulberry Street and Grand Avenue from one-way northbound to two-way travel to facilitate the new traffic patterns. This pilot project will be evaluated as part of the Downtown Walkability Study.

**FISCAL IMPACT:**

Amount: \$50,335 Construction Contract (\$57,225 City Engineer's Estimate)

Funding Source: 2015-2016 CIP, Page Streets, Downtown Walkability, ST261, Being: Transfer of \$50,335 from Economic Development Enterprise Account, SP743 (Sale of Land Proceeds)

**ADDITIONAL INFORMATION:**

On July 27, 2015, under Roll Call No. 15-1229, the City Council received and filed plans, specifications, form of contract documents, and City Engineer's estimate for the construction of the 12th Street Two Way Conversion. 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 12th Street Two Way Conversion, 04-2016-001. The improvement includes the removal and replacement of pavement markings, traffic signal modifications, and other incidental items; in accordance with the contract documents, including Plans File Nos. 570-001/012, located along 12th Street between Mulberry Street and Grand Avenue, Des Moines, Iowa.

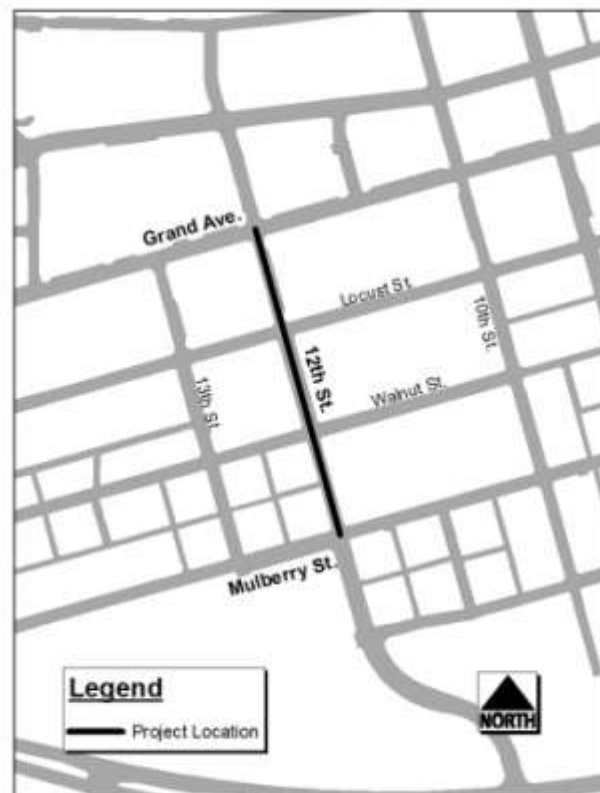
Sealed bids for said improvement were submitted by the following bidders:

Baker Electric, Inc., Des Moines, IA

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 August 11, 2015.

The City sent bidding documents to 12 companies. Nine (9) of the companies were plan rooms and three (3) of the companies were contractors. One (1) out of the three (3) contractors indicated they would be a prime contractor. One (1) bid was received from Baker Electric, Inc. City engineering staff believes the project only received one (1) bid because the project is small, requires specialized traffic signal work that only a few contractors in the area can perform, and was bid in the middle of the construction season when contractors have a full workload.

The City Engineer has determined that the lowest responsive, responsible bid for the construction of said improvement was submitted by Baker Electric, Inc., Britt Baker, CEO, 111 Jackson Avenue, Des Moines, IA, 50315 in the amount of \$50,335, 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: July 27, 2015

Roll Call Number: [15-1229](#)

Action: Ordering construction of the following:

(C) [12th Street Two Way Conversion](#): Receiving of bids, (8-11-15), Setting date of hearing, (8-24-15), Construction estimate, \$57,225. ([Council Communication No. 15-411](#)) Moved by Gatto to adopt. Motion Carried 7-0.

Date: June 8, 2015

Roll Call Number: [15-0975](#)

Action: Items regarding the Downtown Walkability Study: ([Council Communication No. 15-294](#))

(B) [Authorize](#) implementation of a Pilot Program. 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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