

# Council Communication

Office of the City Manager

Date: November 21, 2016

Agenda Item No. 11

Roll Call No. <u>16-1975</u> Communication No. <u>16-660</u>

Submitted by: Pamela S. Cooksey,

P.E., City Engineer

#### **AGENDA HEADING:**

Approving contract and bond for construction of an improvement with an estimated cost which is less than the Iowa Code competitive bid threshold, Jasper Construction Services, Inc., Cliff Rhoads, President, \$72,600.

#### **SYNOPSIS:**

Recommend receive and file bids, designate lowest bidder, and approve contract and bond for the Skywalk Bridge 7D-8D Repairs, 12-2017-002. The project provides for the replacement of damaged soffit, metal wall panels, windows, and structural framing members that were damaged on June 22, 2016.

#### **FISCAL IMPACT:**

<u>Amount</u>: \$72,600 Construction Contract (\$75,000 City Engineer's Estimate)

Funding Source: 2016-2017 CIP, Page Street – 34, Skywalk System, SW094, TIF-Backed G. O.

Bonds, Being: Expected Insurance proceeds to reimburse expenses.

#### ADDITIONAL INFORMATION:

- A Competitive Bid process is utilized in accordance with the Code of Iowa and the Des Moines
  City Council on projects where the Engineer's estimated cost for the improvement is less than
  the competitive bid threshold.
- Sections 26.3 and 26.12 of the Code of Iowa exempt the governing body from advertisement for sealed bids and holding a public hearing on the proposed plans, specifications, form of contract and estimated cost of the improvement when the Engineer's estimated cost for the improvement is less than the competitive bid threshold (currently \$135,000 for this type of work) established in Section 314.1B.
- On February 12, 2007, under Roll Call Number 07-291, the Des Moines City Council approved bidding and contracting process changes for construction of improvements which included "Part II: New Competitive Quotation Process for Public Improvements" which the City Engineer has utilized for this project. Engineering and Legal Department staff have utilized this process to determine the lowest responsive, responsible bidder for construction of the following improvement. The estimated cost of said improvement is \$135,000, which is less than the competitive bid threshold.

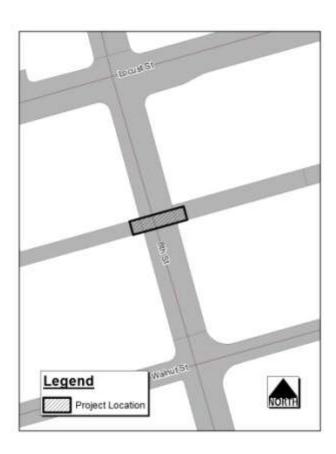
- The Engineering Department prepared plans, specifications, form of contract documents, and Engineer's estimate for the construction of the Skywalk Bridge 7D-8D Repairs, 12-2017-002. The improvement includes removal and replacement of damaged windows, metal wall panels, soffit, and structural framing members for the Skywalk Bridge 7D-8D, including traffic control; all in accordance with the contract documents, including Plan File Nos. 576-139/143 located between Locust Street and Walnut Street over 8<sup>th</sup> Street in downtown Des Moines, Iowa.
- Said plans and specifications were issued to contractors that normally bid on City of Des Moines projects of a similar nature, as part of a solicitation for proposals for said improvement; requesting the contractors to submit proposals to the Des Moines City Engineer on or before 11:00 a.m. on November 4, 2016.

Bids for said improvement were submitted by the following bidders:

Jasper Construction Services, Inc., Newton, IA Bergstrom Construction, Inc., Des Moines, IA

The Des Moines City Engineer has determined that the lowest responsive, responsible bid was submitted by Jasper Construction Services, Inc., Cliff Rhoads, President, 928 N 19<sup>th</sup> Avenue East, Newton, IA, 50208 in the amount of \$72,600 and recommends that said bid be accepted.

The Des Moines City Engineer has secured execution of contract documents for said public improvements by the lowest responsive, responsible bidder for presentation to the City Council for approval and authorization for the Mayor to sign.



## PREVIOUS COUNCIL ACTION(S):

Date: February 12, 2007

Roll Call Number: 07-291

<u>Action</u>: <u>Summary</u> of Bidding/Contracting Process Changes for construction of public improvements, February 2007. (<u>Council Communication No.07-062</u>) Moved by Kiernan 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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