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	Agenda Item No.	7
	Roll Call No.	<u>16-2134</u>
	Communication No.	<u>16-712</u>
	Submitted by:	Pamela S. Cooksey, P.E., City Engineer

AGENDA HEADING:

Approving Exception to Request for Proposals Process for Good Cause and Approving Professional Services Agreement with HR Green, Inc. for the Court Avenue Bridge over the Des Moines River Rehabilitation, not to exceed \$430,000.

SYNOPSIS:

Recommend approval of the Professional Services Agreement with HR Green, Inc., David Dougherty, Vice President, 5525 Merle Hay Road, Suite 200, Johnston, IA 50131, for a total cost not to exceed \$430,000, based on hourly rates, to provide professional services for the Court Avenue Bridge over the Des Moines River Rehabilitation.

FISCAL IMPACT:

Amount: \$430,000

Funding Source: 2016-2017 CIP, Page Bridge-5, Court Avenue Bridge over the Des Moines River, BR054, Tax Increment Bonds

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION:

- The Court Avenue Bridge over the Des Moines River was identified through the City-Wide Bridge and Structure Evaluation as a structurally deficient bridge in need of considerable repairs with some bridge components rating in poor condition.
- On July 29, 2016, U.S. Transportation Secretary Foxx announced the City of Des Moines has been awarded \$8,000,000 in funding from the Transportation Investment Generating Economic Recovery (TIGER) grant program, which included \$4,100,000 for rehabilitation of the Court Avenue Bridge over the Des Moines River.
- A Request for Proposal (RFP) for professional services was advertised in the newspaper and posted on the City’s website.
- Three (3) proposals were received in response to the RFP and a selection committee comprised of representatives from Engineering and Public Works Departments reviewed the proposals based on their qualifications, defined approach, past bridge design and related history, and established performance with the City. On November 7, 2016, under Roll Call No. 16-1910, all proposals in response to the RFP were rejected.

- The City Engineer recommends that good cause exists to exempt the procurement of these services from the RFP procurement process, including advertisement, in order to meet the schedule for the proposed Court Avenue Bridge project. HR Green, Inc. was selected for direct negotiation of a proposed agreement due to their qualifications, approach and strategy to the rehabilitation, and vast bridge design experience, which qualifies their company to provide quality design services for this project. The Professional Services Agreement with HR Green, Inc. negotiated by staff provides for a total cost not to exceed \$430,000, based on hourly rates, to provide a rehabilitation concept and structural evaluation report (Phase I) and to prepare final design plans and specifications (Phase II) for Court Avenue Bridge over the Des Moines River Rehabilitation.
- With project bidding and construction anticipated to start in 2018, limited construction administration services (Phase III) will be brought forward in the future as a supplemental agreement. The future supplemental agreement for limited construction administration services (Phase III) is anticipated to be in the range of \$80,000 to \$120,000.

PREVIOUS COUNCIL ACTION(S):

Date: November 7, 2016

Roll Call Number: [16-1910](#)

Action: [Reject](#) proposals submitted in response to Request for Proposals for professional services for Court Avenue Bridge over Des Moines River Rehabilitation. Moved by Hensley to adopt. Motion Carried 7-0.

Date: November 7, 2016

Roll Call Number: [16-1911](#)

Action: [Rescind](#) 1982 policy for retaining consultants to provide architectural/engineering services. Moved by Hensley to adopt. Motion Carried 7-0.

BOARD/COMMISSION ACTION(S): NONE**ANTICIPATED ACTIONS AND FUTURE COMMITMENTS:**

Supplemental agreement(s) for construction phase services anticipated in the range of \$80,000 to \$120,000.

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