


# COUNCIL COMMUNICATION

 CITY OF DES MOINES OFFICE OF THE CITY MANAGER	Number:	<b>23-460</b>	Meeting:	<b>October 23, 2023</b>
	Agenda Item:	<b>77</b>	Roll Call:	<b>23-1500</b>
	Submitted by:	<b>Benjamin R. Page, Park and Recreation Director, and Steven L. Naber, P.E., City Engineer</b>		

## AGENDA HEADING:

Hearing on 1851 Hartford Avenue Grading and Restoration: Resolution approving plans, specifications, form of contract documents, engineer's estimate, receive and file bids, and designating lowest responsible bidder as Wenthold Excavating LLC, Cory Wenthold, President, \$183,491.50.

## SYNOPSIS:

This is a public hearing to allow for public input on the 1851 Hartford Avenue grading and restoration and take the necessary actions as required by Iowa Code to authorize a contract for construction of the proposed project. This project provides for the grading and restoration of City-owned property located at 1851 Hartford Avenue. Excess suitable embankment material from the site at 1851 Hartford Avenue will be utilized for shoulder improvement work at the northeast corner of Fleur Drive and Bronze Street.

## FISCAL IMPACT:

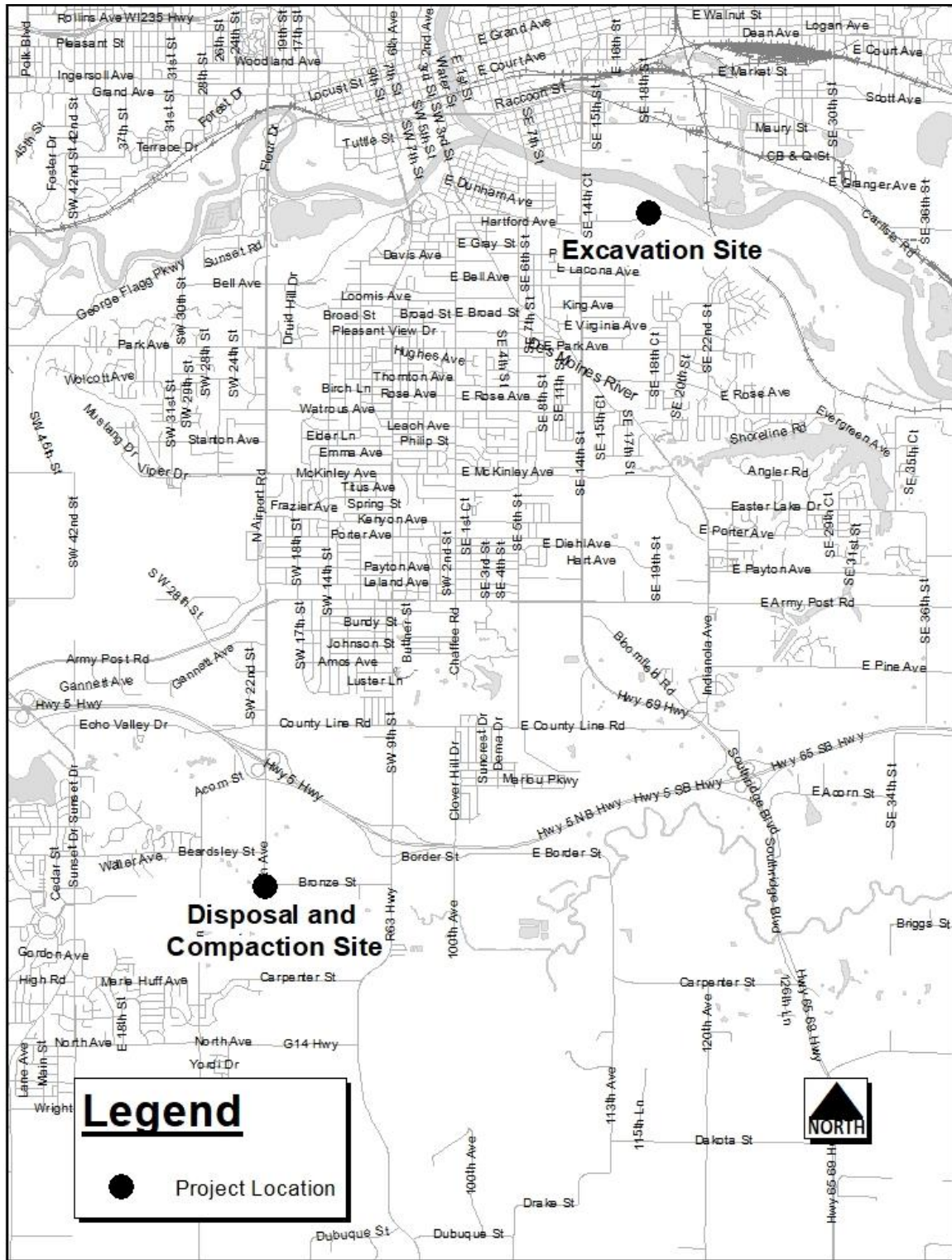
Amount: \$183,491.50 Construction Contract (\$270,000 City Engineer's Estimate)

Funding Source: 2023-24 Operating Budget, Page 56, EN141, Being: \$164,906.5 from Fiscal Year (FY) 2023-2024 Operating Budget, Page 56, Real Estate Services, EG061074, and the remaining \$18,585 in G.O. bonds transferred from FY 2023-2024 Capital Improvement Program (CIP), Page 123, Roadway Reconstruction - Fleur Drive, ST267

## ADDITIONAL INFORMATION:

- On September 11, 2023, under Roll Call No. 23-1224, the City Council received and filed plans, specifications, form of contract documents, and City Engineer's estimate for the construction of the 1851 Hartford Avenue Grading and Restoration. 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 1851 Hartford Avenue Grading and Restoration, Activity ID 042023018. The improvement includes Class 10 and Class 13 Excavation, erosion control, seeding, tree planting, and other incidental items, all in accordance with the contract documents, including Plan File No. 655-248/265 located at 1851 Hartford Avenue.

- Sealed bids for said improvement were submitted by the following bidders:
  - Wenthold Excavating LLC, Elkhart, IA - Low Bid
  - Absolute Concrete Construction, Inc. d/b/a Absolute Group, Slater, IA
  - Elder Corporation, Des Moines, IA
  - Berkey Homebuilders, Inc. dba Concrete Professionals, Altoona, IA
  - RW Excavating Solutions, LC, Prairie City, IA
  - Alpha Landscapes LLC, Slater, IA
  - Jasper Construction Services, Inc., Newton, IA
  - DSM Dirtworx, Pleasant Hill, IA
  - On Track Construction, LLC, Nevada, IA
  - TK Concrete, Inc., Pella, IA
  - Ram Development LLC, Des Moines, IA
  - Iowa Pipe & Grading, LLC, Ames, IA
  - Brothers Cleaning Corporation d/b/a Brothers Concrete, Des Moines, IA
  - Shryock Excavating, Grimes, 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 October 3, 2023.
  
- The City Engineer has determined that the lowest responsive, responsible bid for the construction of said improvement was submitted by Wenthold Excavating LLC, Cory Wenthold, President, 4008 NE 126th Avenue, Elkhart, IA, 50073 in the amount of \$183,491.50, and said bid should be accepted. The Finance Director has determined that funds are available for said improvement as stated above.
  
- The project is anticipated to be completed in the spring 2024.



**PREVIOUS COUNCIL ACTION(S):**

Date: September 11, 2023

Roll Call Number: [23-1224](#)

Action: Ordering construction of the following:

- (B) [1851](#) Hartford Avenue Grading and Restoration: Receiving of bids, (10-3-23) and Setting date of hearing, (10-23-23), Engineer's estimate, \$270,000. ([Council Communication No. 23-417](#)) Moved by Gatto to adopt. Second by Boesen. Motion Carried 6-0.

**BOARD/COMMISSION ACTION(S): NONE**

**ANTICIPATED ACTIONS AND FUTURE COMMITMENTS:**

Partial payments to the contractor and final acceptance of work.

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