


# COUNCIL COMMUNICATION

	Number:	<b>25-007</b>	Meeting:	<b>January 13, 2025</b>
	Agenda Item:	<b>39</b>	Roll Call:	<b>25-0057</b>
	Submitted by:	<b>Steven L. Naber, P.E., City Engineer</b>		

## AGENDA HEADING:

Hearing on 2025 Citywide Traffic Calming Improvements: Resolution approving plans, specifications, form of contract documents, engineer's estimate, receive and file bids, and designating lowest responsible bidder as Caliber Concrete, LLC, Jason Martin, Owner, \$113,354.35.

## SYNOPSIS:

This is a public hearing to allow for public input on the 2025 Citywide Traffic Calming Improvements and take the necessary actions as required by Iowa Code to authorize a contract for construction of the proposed project. This project includes the installation of speed humps along Pleasant Drive from 56th Street to 63rd Street and construction of a raised crosswalk on Pleasant Street near Cummings Parkway.

## FISCAL IMPACT:

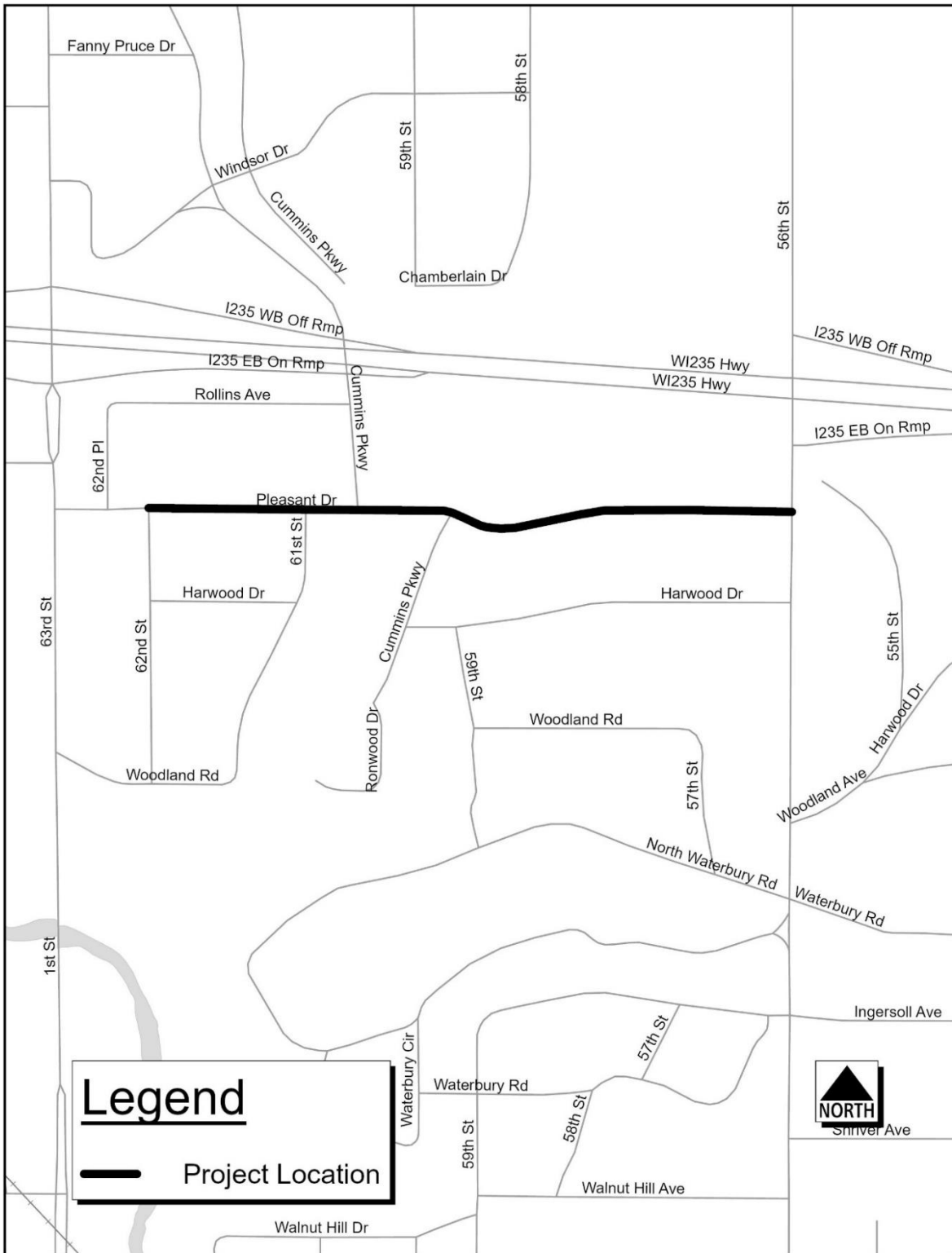
Amount: \$113,354.35 Construction Contract (\$191,200 City Engineer's Estimate)

Funding Source: Fiscal Year (FY) 2024-2025 Capital Improvement Program (CIP), Page 161, Traffic Calming Improvements, TR032, G.O. Bonds

## ADDITIONAL INFORMATION:

- On November 18, 2024, under Roll Call No. 24-1547, the City Council received and filed plans, specifications, form of contract documents, and City Engineer's estimate for the construction of the 2025 Citywide Traffic Calming Improvements. 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 2025 Citywide Traffic Calming Improvements, Activity ID 04-2024-003. The improvement includes the installation of traffic calming measures including the construction of Portland Cement Concrete (PCC) pavement, PCC curb and gutter, PCC sidewalk, Hot Mix Asphalt (HMA) speed humps, storm sewer, intakes, traffic signs, pavement markings, and other incidental items, all in accordance with the contract documents including Plan File No. 667-088/100, located along Pleasant Drive between 56th Street and 63rd Street, and other locations as directed by the City Engineer.

- Sealed bids for said improvement were submitted by the following bidders:
  - Caliber Concrete, LLC, Adair, IA - Low Bid
  - TK Concrete, Inc., Pella, IA
  - Absolute Concrete Construction, Inc. d/b/a Absolute Group, Granger, IA
  - Grimes Asphalt and Paving Corporation, 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, IA at 11:00 a.m. on December 10, 2024.
- The City Engineer has determined that the lowest responsive, responsible bid for the construction of said improvement was submitted by Caliber Concrete, LLC (Jason Martin, Owner, 309 Audubon Street, PO Box 248, Adair, IA 50002) in the amount of \$113,354.35, and said bid should be accepted. The Finance Director has determined that funds are available for said improvement as stated above.
- Pleasant Drive from 56th Street to 63rd Street is a local, residential street with a speed limit of 25 miles per hour.
- In response to complaints of habitual speeding occurring on the street, City staff collected speed data which showed 85th percentile speeds (the speed at or below which 85 percent (85%) of the free-flowing vehicles travel) exceeding 30 miles per hour, validating the concerns of a habitual speeding issue.
- In 2022, City staff worked with the Waterbury Neighborhood Association and developed a plan to install four (4) speed humps on Pleasant Drive from 56th Street to 63rd Street and one (1) raised crosswalk on Pleasant Drive at the Waveland Trail crossing east of Cummins Parkway.
- This traffic calming project was approved by the Transportation Safety Committee on August 9, 2022.
- Construction of this project will be completed in summer of 2025 while school is out of session.



**PREVIOUS COUNCIL ACTION(S):**

Date: November 18, 2024

Roll Call Number: [24-1547](#)

Action: Ordering construction of the following:

- (A) [2025](#) Citywide Traffic Calming Improvements: Receiving of bids, (12-10-24) and Setting date of hearing, (1-13-25), Engineer's estimate, \$191,200. ([Council Communication No. 24-459](#)) Moved by Gatto to adopt. Second by Voss. 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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