


# COUNCIL COMMUNICATION

	Number:	<b>26-164</b>	Meeting:	<b>May 4, 2026</b>
	Agenda Item:	<b>36</b>	Roll Call:	<b>26-0586</b>
	Submitted by:	<b>Jonathan A. Gano, P.E., Public Works Director, and Steven L. Naber, P.E., City Engineer</b>		

## AGENDA HEADING:

Hearing on Southwest 9th Street Rehabilitation from Watrous Avenue to Wolcott Avenue and from Park Avenue to Creston Avenue: Resolution approving plans, specifications, form of contract documents, engineer's estimate, receive and file bids, and designating lowest responsible bidder as InRoads, LLC; Joseph J. Manatt, CEO, \$1,484,314.25.

## SYNOPSIS:

This is a public hearing to allow for public input on the Southwest 9th Street Rehabilitation from Watrous Avenue to Wolcott Avenue and from Park Avenue to Creston Avenue and take the necessary actions as required by Iowa Code to authorize a contract for construction of the proposed project. This project will improve the existing pavement condition of Southwest 9th Street from Watrous Avenue to Wolcott Avenue and from Park Avenue to Creston Avenue by rehabilitating and resurfacing the deteriorated pavement to extend the useful service life of the street.

## FISCAL IMPACT:

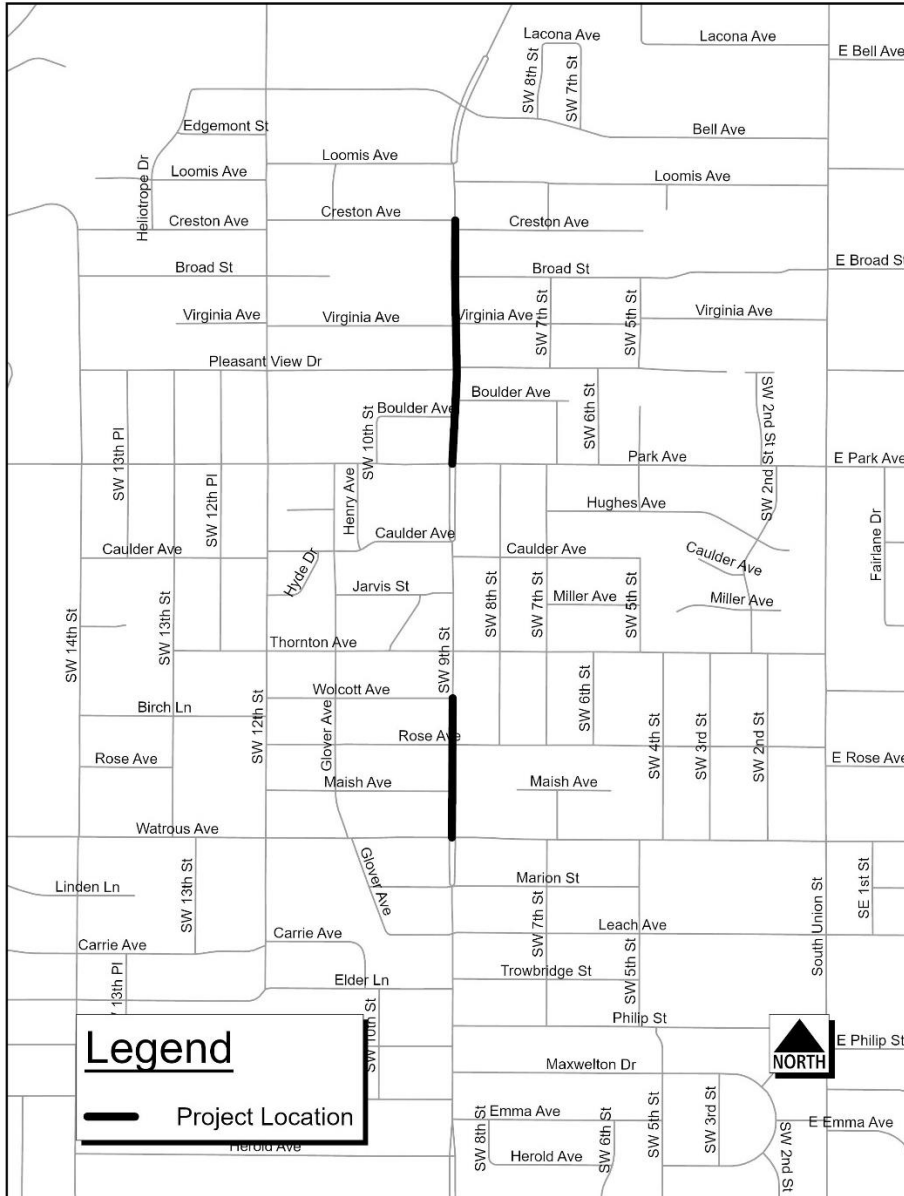
Amount: \$1,484,314.25 Construction Contract (\$1,700,000 City Engineer's Estimate)

Funding Source: 2026-27 CIP, Page 162, LOSST Street Improvements, ST800, LOSST Monies

## ADDITIONAL INFORMATION:

- On April 6, 2026, under Roll Call No. 26-0421, the City Council received and filed plans, specifications, form of contract documents, and City Engineer's estimate for the construction of the Southwest 9th Street Rehabilitation from Watrous Avenue to Wolcott Avenue and from Park Avenue to Creston Avenue. 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 Southwest 9th Street Rehabilitation from Watrous Avenue to Wolcott Avenue and from Park Avenue to Creston Avenue, Activity ID 06-2025-012. The improvement includes street rehabilitation by milling the existing roadway, resurfacing with Hot-Mix Asphalt (HMA), crack and seat Portland Cement Concrete (PCC), full PCC pavement patching, pavement markings, and other incidental items, all in accordance with the contract documents including Plan File No. 681-117/155 located on Southwest 9th Street from Watrous Avenue to Wolcott Avenue and from Park Avenue to Creston Avenue.

- Sealed bids for said improvement were submitted by the following bidders:
  - InRoads, LLC, Des Moines, IA - Low Bid
  - Grimes Asphalt and Paving Corporation, Des Moines, IA
  - OMG Midwest, Inc. dba Des Moines Asphalt & Paving, Ankeny, IA
  - TK Concrete, Inc., Pella, IA
- The bids were received and opened at a public meeting presided over by the City Engineer in the City Council Chambers, 1st Floor, T.M. Franklin Cownie City Administration Building, 1200 Locust Street, Des Moines, Iowa at 11:00 a.m. on April 21, 2026.
- The City Engineer has determined that the lowest responsive, responsible bid for the construction of said improvement was submitted by InRoads, LLC, 4761 NE 20th Lane, Des Moines, IA, 50313; Joseph J. Manatt, CEO, in the amount of \$1,484,314.25, and said bid should be accepted. The Finance Director has determined that funds are available for said improvement as stated above.
- Construction work on Southwest 9th Street from Watrous Avenue to Wolcott Avenue will include milling off the top three (3) inches of asphalt, cracking and seating of the existing concrete base (cracking the concrete pavement base into smaller pieces and seating them into the subgrade will help reduce or delay reflective cracking in the new HMA pavement), and overlaying with three (3) inches of new HMA pavement.
- Other benefits of the crack and seat rehabilitation method include the creation of a more stable roadway base, reduced construction time, is less expensive than full-depth reconstruction, and is sustainable by leaving the existing pavement base in place and not hauling away waste material.
- Construction work on Southwest 9th Street from Park Avenue to Creston Avenue will include milling off the top three (3) inches of asphalt, patching the concrete pavement base, and overlaying with three (3) inches of new HMA pavement.
- Construction will also include removal of approximately 100 feet of the existing medians along the left-turn lanes to create positive offset left-turn lanes, thus providing better visibility for left-turning traffic to see around opposing left-turning vehicles on Southwest 9th Street in both the north and south legs of the intersection with Park Avenue, as well as the north leg of the intersection with Watrous Avenue. The left-turn median on Southwest 9th Street in the south leg of the intersection with Watrous Avenue will be reduced in length at another time as part of a future pavement rehabilitation project.
- There will be lane closures on Southwest 9th Street during construction lasting several months; however, one (1) lane of traffic will be maintained in each direction during construction.
- This project is anticipated to begin in spring 2026 and be completed in fall 2026.



**PREVIOUS COUNCIL ACTION(S):**

Date: April 6, 2026

Roll Call Number: [26-0421](#)

Action: Ordering construction of the following:

- (B) [SW 9th Street Rehabilitation](#) from Watrous Avenue to Wolcott Avenue and from Park Avenue to Creston Avenue: Receiving of bids, (4-21-26) and Setting date of hearing, (5-4-26), Engineer’s estimate, \$1,700,000. ([Council Communication No. 26-132](#)) 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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