



Roll Call Number

Agenda Item Number

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DATE December 12, 2022

PUBLIC HEARING, APPROVING PLANS, SPECIFICATIONS, FORM OF CONTRACT DOCUMENTS, AND ENGINEER'S ESTIMATE ON DRAKE OBSERVATORY FOUNDATION REPAIR; RECEIVE AND FILE BIDS; AND DESIGNATION OF LOWEST RESPONSIVE, RESPONSIBLE BIDDER AS GRUSS CONSTRUCTION, LLC, DEREK J. GRUSS, OWNER, \$360,940.00

WHEREAS, on November 7, 2022, under Roll Call No. 22-1711, plans, specifications, form of contract documents, and Engineer's estimate of construction cost were filed with the City Clerk, for the construction of the following improvement:

Drake Observatory Foundation Repair, 102022021

The improvement includes excavation, subdrain, masonry work, foundation waterproofing, backfill, sodding and restoration, and other incidental items; all in accordance with the contract documents, including Plan File No. 646-162/168, at Drake Observatory, 4898 Observatory Road, Des Moines, Iowa

WHEREAS, notice of the hearing on the plans, specifications, form of contract documents, and Engineer's estimate of construction cost was published as required by law.

WHEREAS, in accordance with said notice, those interested in said proposed plans, specifications, form of contract documents, and Engineer's estimate of construction cost both for and against, have been given opportunity to be heard with respect thereto and have presented their views to the City Council.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF DES MOINES, IOWA: That the upon due consideration of the facts, and any and all statements of interested persons, any objections to the plans, specifications, form of contract documents, and Engineer's estimate of construction cost for said improvement are overruled and the hearing is closed and that said plans, specifications, form of contract documents, and Engineer's estimate of construction cost are hereby approved.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED: That sealed bids for said improvement were submitted by the following bidders:

- Gruss Construction, LLC, Winterset, IA - Low Bid
- Neumann Brothers, Inc., Des Moines, IA

which were received and opened at a public meeting presided over by the Engineer in the City Council Chambers, 2nd Floor, City Hall, 400 Robert D. Ray Drive, Des Moines, Iowa at 11:00 a.m. on November 22, 2022. Said bids and the attached tabulation of bids for said improvement be and are hereby received and filed.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED: That the Des Moines City Engineer, as the Engineer, has determined that the lowest responsive, responsible bid for the construction of said improvement was submitted by Gruss Construction, LLC, Derek J. Gruss, Owner, 1491 248th St, Winterset, IA, 50273 in the amount of \$360,940.00, and said bid be and the same is hereby accepted.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED: That the bid security of the unsuccessful bidders be and is hereby authorized and directed to be returned in accordance with the Instructions to Bidders.



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BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED: That the Engineer is hereby directed to secure execution by the lowest responsible, responsive Bidder and its surety of the contract documents in the form heretofore approved by this Council; that the Engineer is directed to thereafter present said contract documents to this Council for approval and authorization to the Mayor to sign; and that no contract shall be deemed to exist between the City of Des Moines and said Bidder until said contract has been executed by the Bidder, and shall have been approved by this Council and executed by the Mayor and attested to by the City Clerk.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED: That the City Council hereby authorizes the necessary closure of all public grounds, streets, sidewalks, alleys, bridges, culverts, overpasses, underpasses, grade crossing separations and approaches, public ways, squares, and commons for the Project.

(City Council Communication Number 22-564 attached)

Moved by _____ to adopt. Second by _____

FORM APPROVED:

FUNDS AVAILABLE

s/ Kathleen Vanderpool

Nickolas J. Schaul

Kathleen Vanderpool
Deputy City Attorney

Nickolas J. Schaul
Director of Finance

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Funding Source: 2022-23 CIP, Page 52, Municipal Building Improvements, BL085, G.O. Bonds

COUNCIL ACTION	YEAS	NAYS	PASS	ABSENT
COWNIE				
BOESEN				
GATTO				
MANDELBAUM				
SHEUMAKER				
VOSS				
WESTERGAARD				
TOTAL				
MOTION CARRIED				APPROVED

I, Laura Baumgartner, City Clerk of said City Council, hereby certify that at a meeting of the City Council, held on the above date, among other proceedings the above was adopted.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and affixed my seal the day and year first above written.

Mayor

City Clerk

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DEPARTMENT OF ENGINEERING
CITY OF DES MOINES, IOWA

Activity ID 10-2022-021

Bid Date: 11/22/2022

TABULATED BY: N Smith APPROVED BY _____

CHECKED BY: 

CONTRACTOR'S BID TABULATION

PROJECT: DRAKE OBSERVATORY FOUNDATION REPAIR

-----ESTIMATE-----

ITEM	DESCRIPTION	QUANTITY	UNIT PRICE	AMOUNT	Grass Construction LLC Winterset, IA		Neumann Brothers, Inc Des Moines, IA		
					BID SECURITY 10% Bid Bond	BID PRICE	BID SECURITY 10% Bid Bond	BID PRICE	
					UNIT PRICE	AMOUNT	UNIT PRICE	AMOUNT	
1	Drake Observatory Foundation Repair, complete as specified and described in contract documents.	1	LS	\$275,000.00	\$256,280.00	\$230,524.00	\$230,524.00	\$377,360.00	\$377,360.00
2	Brick Masonry Replacement, complete as specified and described in contract documents	624	SF	\$30.00	\$18,720.00	\$209.00	\$130,416.00	\$110.00	\$68,640.00
TOTAL CONSTRUCTION COST					\$275,000.00		\$360,940.00		\$446,000.00
PERCENT OF ENGINEER'S ESTIMATE							+31.25% Low		+62.18%