



**Roll Call Number**

21-0659

**Agenda Item Number**

44

DATE April 19, 2021

HEARING ON 2021 SIDEWALK REPLACEMENT PROGRAM  
REJECT ALL BIDS ON 2021 SIDEWALK REPLACEMENT PROGRAM  
AND TO CLOSE THE HEARING ON THE PLANS, SPECIFICATIONS, FORM  
OF CONTRACT DOCUMENTS, AND ENGINEER'S ESTIMATE

WHEREAS, on March 8, 2021, under Roll Call No. 21-0351, 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:

2021 Sidewalk Replacement Program, 092021001

The improvement includes reconstruction of brick sidewalks, Class A and Class B Portland Cement Concrete (PCC) sidewalks of varying thicknesses, together with all appurtenances; in accordance with the contract documents, at various city-wide locations in Des Moines, Iowa. Sidewalks will be replaced at locations inspected by the Engineering Department. Curb ramps, compliant with the requirements of the Americans with Disabilities Act of 1990 and the regulations associated with this law, as it applies to pedestrian facilities, will also be constructed in the vicinity where sidewalks will be replaced.

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; and

WHEREAS, the Des Moines City Engineer, as the Engineer, recommends rejection of all bids because only one bidder attempted to submit a bid, however their bid security was not completed or signed and therefore was invalid and the bid could not be read. In addition to distributing bidding documents to seven Plan Rooms, there were four contractors that obtained bidding documents, of which three of the four contractors indicated they would be prime contractors. Staff contacted several contractors to determine the main reasons why no bids were submitted. The contractors typically noted this time of year is particularly busy and there was limited interest to bid on a sidewalk replacement program. Engineering staff will review the project and determine any revisions that could be made to the project, and will plan to rebid in the near future.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF DES MOINES, IOWA: That the hearing on the plans, specifications, form of contract documents, and Engineer's estimate of construction cost for said improvement be and is hereby **CLOSED**.

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

TK Concrete, Inc.

Pella, IA  
Bid not read

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 3/23/2021.



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BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED: That all bids for said improvement, be and the same are hereby rejected because only one bidder attempted to submit a bid, however their bid security was not completed or signed and therefore was invalid and the bid could not be read. In addition to distributing bidding documents to seven Plan Rooms, there were four contractors that obtained bidding documents, of which three of the four contractors indicated they would be prime contractors. Staff contacted several contractors to determine the main reasons why no bids were submitted. The contractors typically noted this time of year is particularly busy and there was limited interest to bid on a sidewalk replacement program. Engineering staff will review the project and determine any revisions that could be made to the project, and will plan to rebid in the near future

(City Council Communication Number 21-180 attached)

Moved by Gatto to adopt.

FORM APPROVED s/Kathleen Vanderpool  
Kathleen Vanderpool  
Deputy City Attorney

**SLW** Funding Source: 2021-2022 CIP, Page 159, Sidewalk Replacement, SW084, G. O. Bonds

COUNCIL ACTION	YEAS	NAYS	PASS	ABSENT
COWNIE	✓			
WESTERGAARD	✓			
GRAY	✓			
BOESEN	✓			
VOSS	✓			
MANDELBAUM	✓			
GATTO	✓			
TOTAL	7			

I, P. Kay Cmelik, 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.

MOTION CARRIED APPROVED

J. M. Frankin Cownie  
Mayor

P. Kay Cmelik  
City Clerk