



Roll Call Number

23-0267

Agenda Item Number

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Date February 20, 2023

**HEARING ON WESTERN GATEWAY WATER FEATURES;
REJECT ALL BIDS, AND CLOSE THE HEARING ON THE PLANS,
SPECIFICATIONS, FORM OF CONTRACT DOCUMENTS,
AND ENGINEER'S ESTIMATE**

WHEREAS, on January 23, 2023, under Roll Call No. 23-0089, 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:

Western Gateway Water Features, 112022014

The improvements include the construction of water spray features, accent lighting, limestone features, Portland Cement Concrete (PCC) sidewalk, drainage piping, water service lines, electrical work, trees, and restoration, all in accordance with contract documents, including Plan File Nos. 651-237/290, at Western Gateway Park located in the 1100 to 1300 blocks between Grand Avenue and Locust Street, 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;

WHEREAS, the Des Moines City Engineer, as the Engineer, recommends rejection of all bids because there were only two (2) bids submitted and the apparent low bid was submitted by MPS Engineers, P.C. dba Kingston Services, P.C., Umesh G. Shetye, President, 1444 Illinois Street, Des Moines, IA 50314, in the amount of \$1,371,813.00 which is 48% or \$446,813 over the Engineer's estimate of \$925,000. Engineering and Parks Department staff have reviewed the bids and recommend decreasing the scope of the project and rebidding the project in the 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:

MPS Engineers, P.C. dba Kingston Services, Des Moines, IA - Low Bid
Minturn, Inc., Brooklyn, 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 January 24, 2023. Said bids and the attached tabulation of bids for said improvement be and are hereby received and filed.



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BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED: That all bids for said improvement, be and the same are hereby rejected because there were only two (2) bids submitted and the apparent low bid was submitted by MPS Engineers, P.C. dba Kingston Services, P.C., Umesh G. Shetye, President, 1444 Illinois Street, Des Moines, IA 50314, in the amount of \$1,371,813.00 which is 48% or \$446,813 over the Engineer's estimate of \$925,000. Engineering and Parks Department staff have reviewed the bids and recommend decreasing the scope of the project and rebidding the project in the future.

(Council Communication No. 23-081)

Moved by Mandelbaum to adopt. Second by Boesen

FORM APPROVED:

s/Kathleen Vanderpool

Kathleen Vanderpool
Deputy City Attorney

Funding Source: 2022-23 CIP, Page 71, Park Improvements, PK137, Being:
\$835,000 Tax Increment Funding Bonds and \$90,000 General Obligation Bonds to be issued

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COUNCIL ACTION	Yeas	Nays	Pass	Absent
COWNIE	✓			
BOESEN	✓			
GATTO	✓			
MANDELBAUM	✓			
SHEUMAKER	✓			
VOSS	✓			
WESTERGAARD	✓			
TOTAL	7			
MOTION CARRIED		APPROVED		
<u>J. M. Franklin Cownie</u> Mayor				

CERTIFICATE

I, Laura Baumgartner, City Clerk of said City hereby certify that at a meeting of the City Council of said City of Des Moines, 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.

Laura Baumgartner City Clerk