



**Roll Call Number**

25-0304

**Agenda Item Number**

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**Date** February 24, 2025

**PUBLIC HEARING, APPROVING PLANS, SPECIFICATIONS,  
FORM OF CONTRACT DOCUMENTS, AND ENGINEER'S ESTIMATE ON  
PORTER AVENUE IMPROVEMENTS FROM SW 9TH STREET TO SOUTH UNION STREET;  
RECEIVE AND FILE BIDS; AND DESIGNATION OF LOWEST RESPONSIVE, RESPONSIBLE  
BIDDER AS TK CONCRETE, INC., TONY J. VER MEER, PRESIDENT, \$600,764**

WHEREAS, on January 13, 2025, under Roll Call No. 25-0013, 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:

Porter Avenue Improvements from SW 9th Street to South Union Street, Activity ID 092024005

The improvement includes Hot Mix Asphalt (HMA) and Portland Cement Concrete (PCC) roadway pavement, sidewalk, driveways, pavement removal, storm sewer, water main, temporary traffic control, erosion control, retaining walls, surface restoration, and other incidental items, all in accordance with the contract documents including Plan File No. 667-192/237, located along Porter Avenue between SW 9th Street and South Union Street; the intersection of E. Jefferson Avenue and E. Lay Street; and the intersection of 45th Street and Chamberlain Avenue in 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 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:  
TK Concrete, Inc., Pella, IA - Low Bid  
Caliber Concrete, LLC, Adair, IA - Bid not read (City's Bid Bond Form was not submitted)

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 28, 2025. 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 TK Concrete, Inc., Tony J. Ver Meer, President, 1608 Fifield Road, Pella, IA, 50219 in the amount of \$600,764, and said bid be and the same is hereby accepted.

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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.

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.

(Council Communication No. 25-078 attached)

Moved by Gatto to adopt. Second by Voss

FORM APPROVED:

FUNDS AVAILABLE:

s/Kathleen Vanderpool

s/Nickolas J. Schaul

Kathleen Vanderpool  
 Deputy City Attorney

Nickolas J. Schaul  
 Director of Finance

**SLN** Funding Source: 2024-25 CIP, Page 155, Sidewalks - School and Priority Routes, SW081, Being: \$389,804 in G.O. Bonds, \$70,000 transferred from TR032 (Traffic Calming Improvements), \$100,000 transferred from ST065 (PCC Pavement Replacement), and the remaining \$40,960 from Des Moines Water Works

COUNCIL ACTION	YEAS	NAYS	PASS	ABSENT
BOESEN	✓			
COLEMAN	✓			
GATTO	✓			
MANDELBAUM	✓			
SIMONSON	✓			
VOSS	✓			
WESTERGAARD	✓			
TOTAL	7			

**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.

MOTION CARRIED

APPROVED

Connie Boesen Mayor

Laura Baumgartner City Clerk