


## COUNCIL COMMUNICATION

	Number:	<b>21-180</b>	Meeting:	<b>April 19, 2021</b>
	Agenda Item:	<b>44</b>	Roll Call:	<b>21-0659</b>
	Submitted by:	<b>Steven L. Naber, P.E., City Engineer</b>		

### AGENDA HEADING:

Hearing on 2021 Sidewalk Replacement Program; rejection of all bids on 2021 Sidewalk Replacement Program; and close public hearing on the plans, specifications, form of contract documents, engineer's estimate.

### SYNOPSIS:

Recommend the City Council reject all bids because no bids were received. This project provides for a Citywide program to replace deteriorated City sidewalks, sidewalks damaged by City activities or by City trees in the parkway, and sidewalks for residents that qualify for the special assessment subsidy.

### FISCAL IMPACT:

Amount: \$280,000 City Engineer's Estimate

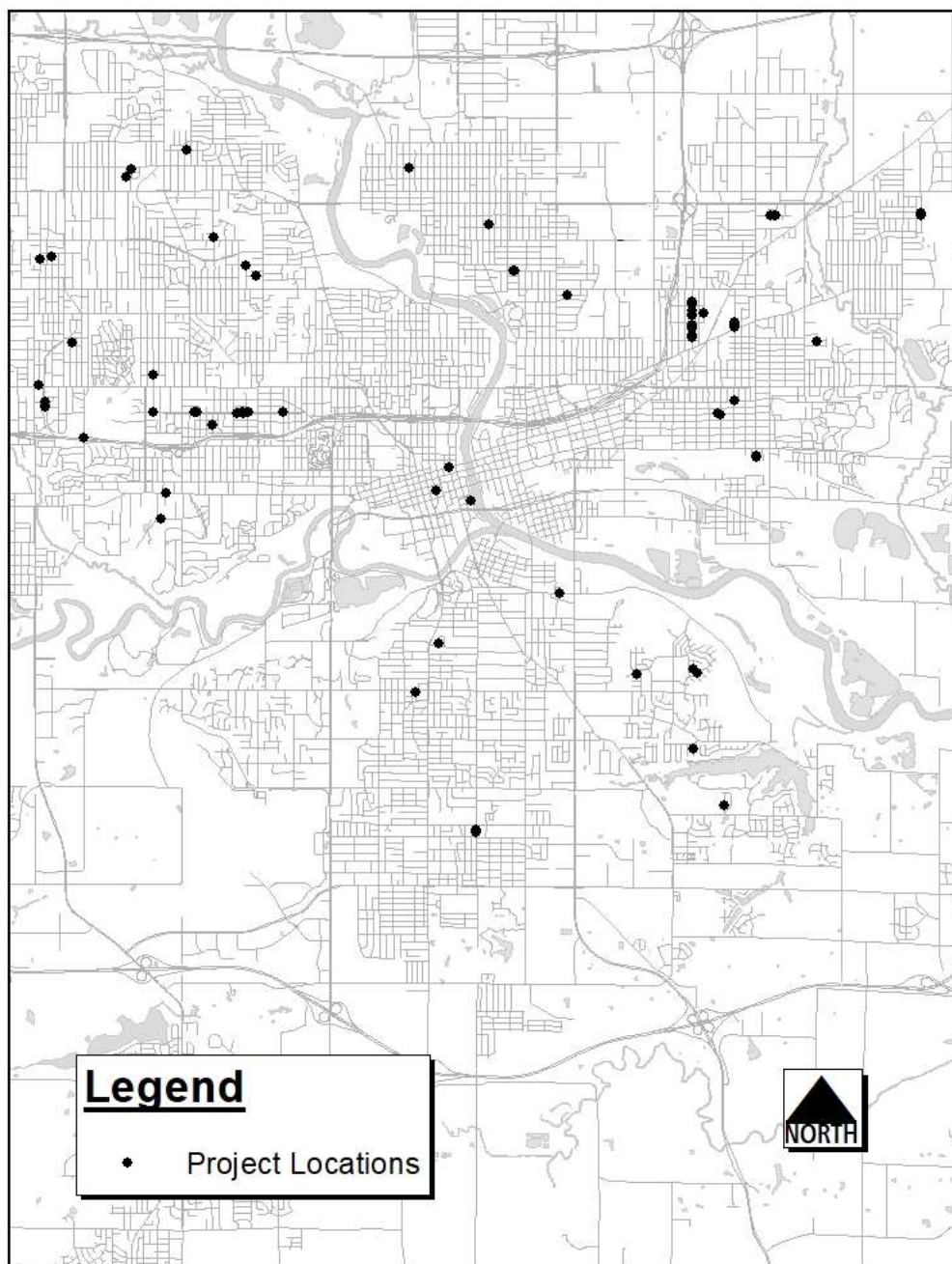
Funding Source: 2021-2022 CIP, Page 159, Sidewalk Replacement, SW084, G. O. Bonds.

### ADDITIONAL INFORMATION:

- On March 8, 2021, under Roll Call No. 21-0351, the City Council received and filed plans, specifications, form of contract documents, and City Engineer's estimate for the construction of the 2021 Sidewalk Replacement Program. 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 2021 Sidewalk Replacement Program, 0-92021-001. 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 Citywide locations. Sidewalks will be replaced at locations inspected by the Engineering Department. Curb ramps, compliant with the requirements of the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) 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.
- Sealed bids for said improvement were submitted by the following bidders:

NO BIDS RECEIVED

- The bids were received and opened at a public meeting presided over by the City Engineer in the City Council Chambers, 2nd Floor, City Hall, 400 Robert D. Ray Drive, Des Moines, Iowa at 11:00 a.m. on March 23, 2021.
- The City Engineer recommends rejection of all bids because only one (1) 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 (7) Plan Rooms, there were four (4) contractors that obtained bidding documents, of which three (3) of the four (4) 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.



**PREVIOUS COUNCIL ACTION(S):**

Date: March 8, 2021

Roll Call Number: [21-0351](#)

Action: Ordering construction of the following:

- (C) [2021](#) Sidewalk Replacement Program: Receiving of bids, (3-23-21) and Setting date of hearing, (4-19-21). Engineer's estimate, \$280,000. ([Council Communication No. 21-107](#)) Moved by Voss to adopt. Motion Carried 6-1. Absent: Gatto.

**BOARD/COMMISSION ACTION(S): NONE**

**ANTICIPATED ACTIONS AND FUTURE COMMITMENTS:**

Ordering construction, setting date of hearing, and receiving of bids in the near future.

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