



Roll Call Number

22-0372

Agenda Item Number

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DATE March 7, 2022

HEARING ON DES MOINES LEVEE ALTERATIONS - PHASE C
REJECT ALL BIDS ON DES MOINES LEVEE ALTERATIONS - PHASE C
AND TO CLOSE THE HEARING ON THE PLANS, SPECIFICATIONS, FORM
OF CONTRACT DOCUMENTS, AND ENGINEER'S ESTIMATE

WHEREAS, on January 10, 2022, under Roll Call No. 22-0015, 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:

Des Moines Levee Alterations - Phase C, 082020006

The improvement includes earthen levee raise and widening, earthwork, excavation, clearing, revetment, steel sheet piling, gatewell raise, storm sewer pipe and repair, seepage relief pipe, swing gates, articulated concrete block, utility abandonment, rain garden, Portland Cement Concrete (PCC) pavement, Hot Mix Asphalt (HMA) pavement, light pole relocation, erosion control, seeding, other incidental items and miscellaneous associated work including cleanup; all in accordance with the contract documents, including Plan File No. 638-222/388, with improvements located along the Des Moines River from the confluence of the Raccoon River to S.E. 14th Street, 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; and

WHEREAS, the Des Moines City Engineer, as the Engineer, recommends rejection of all bids because three bids were submitted with one of the bids not being read due to missing pages from the proposal. The apparent low bid was \$4,286,100 over the project estimate (30.18%), and the other remaining bid was \$13,831,131 over the estimate (97.4%). Engineering staff discussed with several contractors the reason there were not more bids, and it was determined that the majority of contractors who are qualified to perform this type of work have already committed to other project work for 2022. Therefore, the Des Moines City Engineer recommends rebidding the project in late summer 2022 when more contractors should be available to bid on the project, which should result in lower bid prices.

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:

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| Synergy Contracting, LLC | Altoona, IA
Low Bid |
| C. J. Moyna & Sons, Inc. | Elkader, IA |
| NW Construction Inc. | Bozeman, MT
Bid not read |



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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 2/8/2022. Said bids and the attached tabulation of bids for said improvement be and are hereby received, and filed.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED: That all bids for said improvement, be and the same are hereby rejected because three bids were submitted with one of the bids not being read due to missing pages from the proposal. The apparent low bid was \$4,286,100 over the project estimate (30.18%), and the other remaining bid was \$13,831,131 over the estimate (97.4%). Engineering staff discussed with several contractors the reason there were not more bids, and it was determined that the majority of contractors who are qualified to perform this type of work have already committed to other project work for 2022. Therefore, the Des Moines City Engineer recommends rebidding the project in late summer 2022 when more contractors should be available to bid on the project, which should result in lower bid prices.

(City Council Communication Number 22-092 attached)

Moved by Gatto to adopt. Second by Boesen.

FORM APPROVED s/Kathleen Vanderpool

Kathleen Vanderpool
Deputy City Attorney

Funding Source: 2021-2022 CIP, Page 101, Flood Mitigation Improvements, SM087, Being: \$14,200,000 in Storm Water Utility Funds and Flood Mitigation Sales Tax

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COUNCIL ACTION	YEAS	NAYS	PASS	ABSENT
COWNIE	✓			
BOESEN	✓			
GATTO	✓			
MANDELBAUM	✓			
SHEUMAKER	✓			
VOSS	✓			
WESTERGAARD	✓			
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. Franklin Cownie
Mayor

P. Kay Cmelik
City Clerk