

ITEM # 9
DATE 12-16-08

COUNCIL ACTION FORM

SUBJECT: 2008/09 AIRPORT IMPROVEMENTS (REHABILITATION OF RUNWAY 13/31)

BACKGROUND:

This project is shown under the Airport Improvements program of the Capital Improvement Plan (CIP). It will provide for the full rehabilitation of Runway 13-31, including all effected pavement, lighting, and abutting runway protection areas.

Following qualifications, based on interviews, HWS Consulting, Inc. of Ames, IA, has been selected to complete the engineering design for the City of Ames Municipal Airport. The contract will include topographic survey, geotechnical services, and preliminary design in accordance with all applicable FAA standards. The contract is in an amount not to exceed \$45,891.

This project is funded as part of the 2008/09 CIP with funding from the Airport Construction Fund in the amount of \$106,000, and a FAA Grant (AIP) in the amount of \$2,014,000, which brings the total project funding to \$2,120,000.

ALTERNATIVES:

1. Approve the engineering services contract with HWS Consulting Inc. of Ames, IA, for the 2008/09 Airport Improvements (Rehabilitation of Runway 13/31) in the amount not to exceed \$45,891.
2. Reject the engineering services agreement and direct staff to pursue other design options.

MANAGER'S RECOMMENDED ACTION:

Approving the engineering services contract with HWS Consulting, Inc. for the preliminary design of the Runway 13/31 Rehabilitation will ensure the ongoing pavement condition and thus the safe operation of the runway. The project is anticipated to be let in spring 2009 with construction in summer 2009.

Therefore, it is the recommendation of the City Manager that the City Council adopt Alternative No. 1, thereby approving the engineering services contract with HWS Consulting Inc. of Ames, IA, for the 2008/09 Airport Improvements (Rehabilitation of Runway 13/31) in the amount not to exceed \$45,981.