

ITEM #	<u>9b</u>
DATE	<u>01-26-10</u>

COUNCIL ACTION FORM

SUBJECT: 2009/10 AIRPORT IMPROVEMENTS (ENGINEERING SERVICES APPROVAL)

BACKGROUND:

This project is shown under the Airport Improvements program of the 2009/10 Capital Improvements Plan (CIP). It will provide for the rehabilitation of Taxiway A-1, storm sewer improvements at the Runway-Runway intersection to prevent flooding, and a new Precision Approach Path Indicator (PAPI) for the Runway 01 approach.

Following a qualifications-based selection process, HWS Consulting, Inc. of Ames, Iowa, has been chosen 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 \$125,913.

This project is funded as part of the 2009/10 CIP with funding from the Airport Construction Fund in the amount of \$56,250, and a FAA Grant (AIP) in the amount of \$1,068,750, which brings the total project funding to \$1,125,000.

ALTERNATIVES:

1. Approve the engineering services contract with HWS Consulting Inc. of Ames, Iowa, for the 2009/10 Airport Improvements (Rehabilitate Taxiway A-1, Taxiway A-1 Drainage Improvements, and Runway 01 PAPI) in the amount not to exceed \$125,913 from the sources identified above.
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 design of the FY2010 Airport Improvements project will ensure the ongoing safety and efficient operation of the Ames Municipal Airport. The project is anticipated to be let in spring 2010 with construction in summer 2010.

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, Iowa, for the 2009/10 Airport Improvements (Rehabilitate Taxiway A-1, Taxiway A-1 Drainage Improvements, and Runway 01 PAPI) in the amount not to exceed \$125,913.