

**COUNCIL ACTION FORM**

**SUBJECT: 2011/12 COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANT PUBLIC FACILITIES NEIGHBORHOOD INFRASTRUCTURE IMPROVEMENTS (NORTH HAZEL AVENUE / NORTH 3<sup>RD</sup> STREET)**

**BACKGROUND:**

This program is part of the City's 2011/12 Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) Annual Action Plan. The Plan's Neighborhood Infrastructure Improvements Program (curb, streets, sidewalks, etc.) is in targeted low- and moderate-income census tracts. The objective is to replace and/or repair curbs, driveway approaches, sidewalks, and/or street resurfacing areas that have deteriorated and are causing accelerated pavement failure. The overall goal of the program is to preserve and enhance the viability and aesthetics of our core existing neighborhoods.

This specific project will replace the deteriorated pavement on North Hazel Avenue. North Hazel is in a targeted census tract where at least 51 percent of the residents have income at or below 80 percent of the Story County median income limits.

On Wednesday, June 8, 2011, bids were received as follows:

Engineer's Estimate	\$279,913.20
Manatt's, Inc.	\$287,993.17

The project will be financed with \$300,000 in CDBG funds. Engineering and construction administration, estimated at \$42,000, will be covered by remaining General Obligation Bond funds from the South Duff Area Storm Sewer Reconstruction Project. This brings total estimated costs to \$329,993.17.

**ALTERNATIVES:**

- 1a. Accept the report of bids for the 2011/12 CDBG Public Facilities Neighborhood Infrastructure Improvements Program (North Hazel Avenue).
  - b. Approve the final plans and specifications for the report of bids for the 2011/12 CDBG Public Facilities Neighborhood Infrastructure Improvements Program (North Hazel Avenue)
  - c. Award the 2011/12 CDBG Public Facilities Neighborhood Infrastructure Improvements Program (North Hazel Avenue) to Manatt's, Inc. of Ames, Iowa, in the amount of \$287,993.17.
2. Reject the bid and do not proceed with this project.

**MANAGER'S RECOMMENDED ACTION:**

By awarding this project, the City Council will continue to strengthen and improve one of the city's core neighborhoods.

Therefore, it is the recommendation of the City Manager that the City Council adopt Alternative No. 1, thereby approving property acquisition, accepting the report of bids, approving the final plans and specifications, and awarding the 2011/12 CDBG Public Facilities Neighborhood Infrastructure Improvements Program (North Hazel Avenue) to Manatt's, Inc. of Ames, Iowa, in the amount of \$287,993.17.