

COUNCIL ACTION FORM

SUBJECT: 2010/11 AIRPORT IMPROVEMENTS (ENGINEERING SERVICES)

BACKGROUND:

This project is shown under the Airport Improvements program of the 2010/11 Capital Improvements Plan (CIP). It will provide for the rehabilitation of the West Apron. This is the paved staging area west of the Terminal Building and east of Runway Approach 13.

In selecting a design firm, staff followed a qualifications-based selection process as specified by the federal government. It should be noted that the FAA process prohibits the respective jurisdiction from requesting costs during the selection process, and only after the top firm is identified can an estimated fee be generated. The following firms submitted statements of qualifications and received averaged scores out of 100:

Engineering Firm	Av. Score
Bolton & Menk	90.0
Fox Engineering	88.3
CGA	83.3
McClure	80.3
AECOM	79.0
Snyder & Associates	75.3

Bolton & Menk Consulting Engineers of Ames, Iowa, is being recommended to complete the construction phase for the 2010/11 Airport Improvements project. The contract will include construction observation, material testing, project reporting, and final closeout in accordance with all applicable Federal Aviation Administration (FAA) standards. The contract is in an amount not to exceed \$185,479.

The apron rehabilitation project is funded as part of the 2010/11 CIP with local match funding from the Airport Construction Fund. The contract for the construction phase of the project has already been awarded to Godberson-Smith Construction Co. of Ida Grove, Iowa, subject to award of the FAA grant. That construction contract is for \$1,256,501 which, along with the \$185,479 for this construction observation contract, bring the total project cost to \$1,441,980.

An agreement with the FAA will be requested to fund the project with local funds in the amount of \$144,198 (10%) and a FAA Airport Improvement Program Grant (90%) in the amount of \$1,297,782. In order to cover the local match requirement of 10%, the \$144,198 will come from the City's Airport Construction Fund, from which the maximum available funds for this project are estimated at \$150,480 in the 2011/12 fiscal year.

ALTERNATIVES:

1. Approve the engineering services contract with Bolton & Menk Consulting Engineers of Ames, Iowa, for the 2010/11 Airport Improvements (West Apron Rehabilitation) in an amount not to exceed \$185,479 from the sources identified above, contingent upon the receipt of the FAA grant.
2. Reject the engineering services agreement and direct staff to pursue other design options.

MANAGER'S RECOMMENDED ACTION:

Approving this contract for the construction phase of this project will help ensure the ongoing safety and efficient operation of the Ames Municipal Airport.

Therefore, it is the recommendation of the City Manager that the City Council adopt Alternative No. 1, thereby approving the engineering services contract with Bolton & Menk Consulting Engineers of Ames, Iowa, for the 2010/11 Airport Improvements (West Apron Rehabilitation) in an amount not to exceed \$185,479 from the sources identified above, contingent upon the receipt of the FAA grant.