

**COUNCIL ACTION FORM**

**SUBJECT: SOUTH DUFF AVENUE/S.E. 16<sup>TH</sup> STREET FRONTAGE ROAD**

**BACKGROUND:**

In the past, staff has received several complaints about the pavement condition on the frontage road south of S.E. 16<sup>th</sup> Street just east of South Duff Avenue. The existing asphalt roadway is a City street that provides access management from U.S. Highway 69 to area businesses. The pavement management data shows this section of roadway as being in the category of “worst condition” with a pavement condition index of 20 or lower.

The South Duff Avenue/S.E. 16<sup>th</sup> Street Frontage Road Project will rehabilitate the existing HMA Pavement through milling, full depth hot mixed asphalt (HMA) patches and placement of a new HMA surface.

This project includes anticipated expenses as follows:

Construction (Estimated)	\$ 70,000
Engineering/Administration (Estimated)	<u>\$ 10,500</u>
Total	\$ 80,500

On July 26, 2011, City Council approved redirecting \$165,000 in General Obligation Bonds from the Grand Avenue Extension project to the South Duff Avenue/S.E. 16<sup>th</sup> Street Frontage Road. The Grand Avenue Extension project funds had previously been programmed as a match for anticipated Congressionally directed funds, or earmarks. The anticipated earmarks were not received, so City Council redirected the G.O. Bonds to fund other work in accordance with priorities recommended by the City’s Pavement Management System.

Any remaining funds will be utilized for contingencies and possibly for additional projects.

**ALTERNATIVES:**

1. Approve the South Duff Avenue/S.E. 16th Street Frontage Road by establishing September 19, 2012, as the date of letting and September 25, 2012, as the date for report of bids.
2. Do not proceed with this project.

**MANAGER'S RECOMMENDED ACTION:**

By approving plans and specifications and setting the letting date, it will be possible to move forward with rehabilitation of this street during the 2012 calendar year. Local impacted businesses have requested fall 2012 construction if possible. Delay of approval would delay the project until next construction season.

Therefore, it is the recommendation of the City Manager that the City Council adopt Alternative No. 1, thereby approving the South Duff Avenue/S.E. 16<sup>th</sup> Street Frontage Road by establishing September 19, 2012, as the date of letting and September 25, 2012, as the date for report of bids.