

COUNCIL ACTION FORM

SUBJECT: HICKORY DRIVE (LINCOLN WAY – WESTBROOK DRIVE)

BACKGROUND:

Staff had received several complaints about the pavement condition on Hickory Drive between Lincoln Way and Westbrook Drive. Hickory Drive was an existing asphalt roadway with concrete curb and gutter. Pavement management data showed this section of roadway as being in the category of “poor” with a low pavement condition index of 30.

Grand Avenue Extension project funds had previously been programmed as a match for anticipated congressionally directed funds, or earmarks. Unfortunately, the anticipated earmarks were not received. On July 26, 2011, Council approved the redirection of those General Obligation Bonds from the Grand Avenue Extension project in the amount of \$300,000 to be used to reconstruct the South Duff Avenue/S.E. 16th Street frontage road and Hickory Drive from Lincoln Way to Westbrook Drive. The South Duff Avenue/S.E. 16th Street Frontage Road was completed and accepted by Council on January 8, 2013, at a final cost of \$96,129.89.

The Hickory Drive (Lincoln Way – Westbrook Drive) project replaced the existing asphalt pavement with new, full-depth asphalt pavement and included rock sub-base. It also included replacement of 300 feet of the existing frontage road and new curb and gutter.

On February 26, 2013, City Council awarded the project to Manatt’s, Inc. of Ames, Iowa, in the amount of \$167,500.48. Two change orders were administratively approved by staff. The first, in the amount of \$7,650, included work to replace a sanitary manhole that was failing due to infiltration issues. The second, in the amount of \$6,963.83, was the balancing change order for the project and reflected actual quantities installed in the field. Construction was completed in the amount of \$182,114.31.

Final acceptance of this project was delayed over the winter of 2013/14 to ensure proper vegetative restoration growth in spring 2014. Engineering and contract administration costs totaled \$47,335, bringing **overall project costs to \$229,449.31**. Of the \$300,000 re-directed to these two projects, the remaining balance available for funding this project is \$203,870.11. Additional savings in the amount of \$25,580 from the 2011/12 Collector Street Pavement Improvements Program is also available for this project, bringing **overall project funding to \$229,450**.

ALTERNATIVES:

1. Accept the Hickory Drive (Lincoln Way – Westbrook Drive) project as completed by Manatt’s, Inc., of Ames, Iowa, in the amount of \$182,114.31.

2. Direct staff to pursue modifications to the project.

MANAGER'S RECOMMENDED ACTION:

This project has now been completed in accordance with approved plans and specifications within available funding.

Therefore, it is the recommendation of the City Manager that the City Council adopt Alternative No. 1, thereby accepting the Hickory Drive (Lincoln Way – Westbrook Drive) project as completed by Manatt's, Inc., of Ames, Iowa, in the amount of \$182,114.31.