

COUNCIL ACTION FORM

**SUBJECT: 2012/13 WEST LINCOLN WAY INTERSECTION IMPROVEMENTS
(LINCOLN WAY AND DOTSON DRIVE)**

BACKGROUND:

Increased traffic flow from the South Fork Subdivision area necessitated left-turn lanes and a signal at the intersection of Lincoln Way and Dotson Drive to accommodate heavy-turning movements. Turn lanes on Lincoln Way mitigated left-turning, rear-end, and right-angle traffic accidents at this intersection. An existing agreement required the South Fork developer and the City to share equally in the construction cost of these improvements.

On February 12, 2013, City Council awarded this project to Manatt’s, Inc. of Ames in the amount of \$549,699. A balancing change order (savings in the amount of \$2,763.13) was administratively approved by staff. That change order reflected actual quantities installed in the field. Construction was completed in the amount of \$546,935.87. Final acceptance of this project was delayed over the winter of 2013/14 to ensure proper vegetative restoration growth in the Spring of 2014. Engineering and contract administration costs are broken out in the table below.

A Traffic Safety Improvement Grant of \$500,000 was awarded by the Iowa Department of Transportation to be used toward construction of this project. The remaining \$46,935.87 will be split equally between the City and the developer, in accordance with the development agreement approved by Council on December 18, 2012. The developer’s share has been secured with a Letter of Credit in the amount of \$125,000 from Pinnacle Properties Ames, LLC. The City’s construction share of \$23,467.94, as well as engineering and construction administration costs of \$122,655, bring the City’s total costs to \$146,122.94. The City’s share was budgeted in the amount of \$242,500 from Road Use Tax (RUT) funds. The remaining RUT funds (approximately \$96,377) will be utilized on other projects.

	<u>Construction</u>	<u>Eng/Admin</u>	<u>Total Costs</u>	<u>Funding</u>
Iowa DOT Grant	\$500,000.00		\$500,000.00	\$500,000
Developer	\$ 23,467.93		\$ 23,467.93	\$125,000
City	<u>\$ 23,467.94</u>	\$122,655	<u>\$146,122.94</u>	<u>\$242,500</u>
Totals	<u>\$546,935.87</u>		<u>\$669,590.87</u>	<u>\$867,500</u>

ALTERNATIVES:

1. Accept the 2012/13 West Lincoln Way Intersection Improvements (Lincoln Way and Dotson Drive) as completed by Manatt's, Inc., of Ames, Iowa, in the amount of \$546,935.87.
2. Direct staff to pursue modifications to the project.

MANAGER'S RECOMMENDED ACTION:

This project has now been completed in accordance with the approved plans and specifications, and is within the approved budget. The project was completed at a savings compared to the original cost estimates. The developer's share of the final construction cost is secured by a Letter of Credit until such time as his payment is received.

Therefore, it is the recommendation of the City Manager that the City Council adopt Alternative No. 1, thereby accepting the 2012/13 West Lincoln Way Intersection Improvements (Lincoln Way and Dotson Drive) as completed by Manatt's, Inc., of Ames, Iowa, in the amount of \$546,935.87.