

COUNCIL ACTION FORM

**SUBJECT: FY 2015/16 AIRPORT IMPROVEMENTS TAXIWAY REHABILITATION
(RUNWAY 01/19) - PROFESSIONAL SERVICES**

BACKGROUND:

In making this selection, staff initiated an open RFQ process in November of 2013 for projects shown in the Ames Airport Improvement Program (AIP) in accordance with the City's purchasing policies. The City's purchasing policies require consultant selections to include cost as a criterion for selection unless otherwise required by Federal or State requirements. In this case, because the projects listed in the RFQ included federal funds, the FAA specifically prohibits the City from asking for cost during the selection process. Cost may only be determined after a consultant has been identified as the most qualified and the City enters into negotiations for a scope of services and fee with that consultant.

The evaluation scores of that qualification-based selection process back in November 2013 were as follows:

<u>Airport Consultant</u>	<u>Average Score</u>
Bolton & Menk, Inc.	90.7
Foth Engineering	80.7
Heery International	69.0

Through this process, Bolton & Menk, Inc., was found to be the most qualified consultant based upon a combination of past aviation experience and its proposed approach to this project.

This professional services contract will be for all design, survey, and construction inspection required for the rehabilitation of a section of taxiway adjacent to the southern end of Runway 01/19 (north/south). This project is shown in the 2015/16 Capital Improvements Plan Airport Improvements Program with a total budget for design and construction of \$222,000 (\$26,000 for design/construction inspection and \$196,000 for construction). The Iowa DOT is providing \$150,000 in State funding, with the remaining \$72,000 coming from the Airport Construction Fund.

ALTERNATIVES:

1. Approve a professional services agreement with Bolton & Menk, Inc., of Ames, Iowa, for the 2015/16 Airport Improvements Taxiway Rehabilitation (Runway 01/19) project at a not-to-exceed cost of \$26,000.

2. Direct staff to seek additional alternatives for design of the project.

MANAGER'S RECOMMENDED ACTION:

By approving this professional service agreement, the City will be able to move forward with improvements that will ensure the safety and state-of-good repair for the air-side infrastructure of the Ames Municipal Airport.

Therefore, it is the recommendation of the City Manager that the City Council adopt Alternative No. 1 as noted above.