ITEM #<u>31</u> DATE: <u>03-06-18</u>

COUNCIL ACTION FORM

SUBJECT: 2017/18 RIGHT-OF-WAY APPEARANCE ENHANCEMENT – 927 DAYTON AVENUE

BACKGROUND:

This annual program provides for enhancements of the rights-of-way in the City of Ames including retaining walls, entry elements, median enhancements, and monuments. **The location for 2017/18 is 927 Dayton Avenue**. The retaining wall at this location had been repaired once in 2008 and needs total replacement before it collapses.

On February 28, 2018 bids for the project were received as follows:

Bidder	Bid Amount
Engineer's estimate	\$168,658.00
Country Landscapes, Inc	\$112,492.37
Miner Hardscape LLC	\$152,612.00
Con-Struct	\$158,200.00

Engineering and construction administration costs are estimated at \$10,500, bringing the total estimated cost for the project to \$122,992.37.

This project is shown in the 2017/18 Capital Improvements Plan (CIP) with funding in the amount of \$85,000. The Right-of-Way Appearance Enhancement CIP Program balance has unobligated funding of \$202,753, bringing **total available funding to \$287,753.**

ALTERNATIVES:

- 1a. Accept the report of bids for the 2017/18 Right of Way Enhancement 927 Dayton Avenue project.
 - b. Approve the final plans and specifications for this project.
 - c. Award the 2017/18 Right of Way Enhancement 927 Dayton Avenue project to Country Landscapes, Inc of Ames, IA in the amount of \$112,492.37
- 2. Award the contract to one of the other bidders.
- 3. Reject the bids and do not proceed with this project.

MANAGER'S RECOMMENDED ACTION:

By awarding this project, it will be possible to complete the project in the spring of 2018 and limit any risk from the existing retaining wall collapsing.

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