

**COUNCIL ACTION FORM**

**SUBJECT: 2017/18 DOWNTOWN STREET PAVEMENT IMPROVEMENTS PROJECT – MAIN STREET ALLEYS (DUFF AVENUE – DOUGLAS AVENUE, KELLOGG AVENUE – BURNETT AVENUE)**

**BACKGROUND:**

This program is for reconstruction or rehabilitation of downtown streets and alleys. The 2017/18 program locations are the east-west alleys north of Main Street between Duff Avenue and Douglas Avenue and between Kellogg Avenue and Burnett Avenue. This project includes the replacement of the existing alley pavement with 7 inches of new concrete pavement, storm sewer intake improvements, and filling underground vaults.

On May 22, 2019, bids for this project were received as follows:

<i>Bidder</i>	<i>Bid Amount</i>
Engineer's estimate	\$211,107.80
ConStruct Inc.	\$211,973.20
Absolute Concrete	\$299,696.90

Engineering and administration costs are estimated to be \$32,000, **bringing the total estimated project cost to \$243,973.20**. Downtown Street Pavement Improvements are shown in the 2017/18 Capital Improvement Plan with **\$250,000.00 in G.O. Bond funding** and **\$50,000 in Electric Utility funding**.

**ALTERNATIVES:**

1. a. Accept the report of bids for the 2017/18 Downtown Street Pavement Improvements Project – Main Street Alleys (Duff Avenue – Douglas Avenue, Kellogg Avenue – Burnett Avenue)
  - b. Approve the final plans and specifications for this project.
  - c. Award the 2017/18 Downtown Street Pavement Improvements Project – Main Street Alleys (Duff Avenue – Douglas Avenue, Kellogg Avenue – Burnett Avenue) to ConStruct Inc. of Ames, Iowa in the amount of \$211,973.20.
2. Award the contract to another bidder.

3. Reject the award and direct staff to modify the project for a future bid letting.
4. Do not proceed with the project at this time.

**MANAGER'S RECOMMENDED ACTION:**

By awarding this project, it will be possible to move forward with these alley drainage and pavement improvements. The Ames downtown area is an important economic center in the community, and this project will enhance downtown business operations and promote development.

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