

COUNCIL ACTION FORM

SUBJECT: 2007/08 SIDEWALK SAFETY PROGRAM

BACKGROUND:

This annual program is for the removal and replacement of sidewalk intersection crosswalk panels and handicap ramps at locations that fail to meet the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) requirements. This program provides safer pedestrian facilities and limits the City's potential liability for public sidewalks that are in a deteriorated condition.

The 2007/08 program locations are Harding Avenue (10th Street to 16th Street), Maxwell Avenue (George Allen Avenue to 16th Street), N. Riverside Drive and N. 2nd Street, and Melrose Avenue (Hunziker Drive and 20th Street).

On Wednesday, October 17, 2007, bids were received as follows:

<u>Bidder</u>	<u>Amount</u>
Engineer's Estimate	\$67,000.00
Ames Concrete Contractors	\$63,109.10
Manatt's, Inc.	\$65,906.55
Con-Struct, Inc.	\$66,440.70

Engineering and construction administration costs are estimated at \$10,000. This project is shown in the 2007/08 approved budget with financing in the amount of \$50,000. Unused funds in the amount of \$30,900 from the 2005/06 Sidewalk Safety Program have been carried over to the 2007/08 Sidewalk Safety Program bringing the total available budget to \$80,900. The remaining funds will be utilized for additional projects.

ALTERNATIVES:

- 1a. Accept the report of bids for the 2007/08 Sidewalk Safety Program.
 - b. Approve the final plans and specifications for the 2007/08 Sidewalk Safety Program.
 - c. Award the 2007/08 Sidewalk Safety Program to Ames Concrete Contractors of Ames, IA, in the amount of \$63,109.10.
2. Reject the project.

MANAGER'S RECOMMENDED ACTION:

By accepting the report of bids, this project will progress to enhance our neighborhoods to ensure that sidewalks throughout the community comply with ADA requirements. It will also be possible for construction to be completed by the June 30, 2008, deadline.

Therefore, it is the recommendation of the City Manager that the City Council adopt Alternative No. 1, thereby accepting the report of bids, approving the final plans and specifications, and awarding 2007/08 Sidewalk Safety Program Ames Concrete Contractors of Ames, IA, in the amount of \$63,109.10.