ITEM # ______ DATE <u>January 8, 2008</u>

COUNCIL ACTION FORM

SUBJECT: APPROVAL OF PRELIMINARY PLANS AND SPECIFICATIONS FOR GRAND AVENUE EXTENSION – UNDERGROUND LINE RELOCATION

BACKGROUND:

This project is for the relocation of several underground electric distribution lines in order to accommodate the extension of Grand Avenue. This is the second project required to relocate the electric lines in the area to be occupied by the south extension of Grand Avenue. In October of 2007, the Council approved the relocation of overhead power lines in this same area, at a cost of approximately \$230,000.

The Engineer's estimate for this contracted portion of the project is \$25,000. Miscellaneous materials for the work will be taken from regular Electric Distribution inventory at an estimated cost of \$15,000. The total estimate for this underground line relocation is \$40,000. The funds for this project are available within the CIP, under an amended project for Grand Avenue South Extension Relocation. The total funding available in that CIP project is now \$296,000.

ALTERNATIVES:

- 1. Approve the preliminary plans and specifications the Grand Avenue Extension -Underground Line Relocation project for the Electric Services Department, and establish January 30, 2008, as the bid due date, and February 12, 2008, as the date of public hearing and award of contract.
- 2. Do not approve the specifications and drawings at this time.

MANAGER'S RECOMMENDED ACTION:

The work included in this bid will relocate several underground electric distribution lines in order to accommodate the Grand Avenue Extension Project.

Therefore, it is the recommendation of the City Manager that the City Council adopt Alternative No. 1, thereby approving the preliminary plans and specifications for Grand Avenue Extension Power Line Relocation on for the Electric Services Department, and establishing January 30, 2008, as the bid due date, and February 12, 2008, as the date of public hearing and award of contract.