

ITEM # 27
DATE 09-09-08

COUNCIL ACTION FORM

SUBJECT: 2005/2006 SHARED USE PATH SYSTEM (GRAND AVENUE – MURRAY DRIVE TO 20TH STREET)

BACKGROUND:

The annual Shared Use Path System provides for construction of shared use paths on street right-of-way, adjacent to streets, and through greenbelts. This project supports one of the City Council's priorities, connecting our community. Shared use paths located on arterial streets that can also serve as Safe Routes to School have been prioritized within the program.

The 2005/2006 program identified construction of a path along the west side of Grand Avenue from Murray Drive to 20th Street. The 8-foot path will extend the existing shared use path in place to the north. The completion date for this project will be November 30, 2008. This location also meets the priority criteria identified by Council in relation to the Pedestrian Walkway program; this is along an arterial street and is also a walking route to school.

On Wednesday, September 3, 2008, bids were received as follows:

<u>Bidder</u>	<u>Amount</u>
Engineer's Estimate	\$128,000.00
Manatt's, Inc.	\$132,921.09

The following is a table showing estimated project costs along with easement costs.

<u>Item</u>	<u>Projected Cost</u>
Engineering and Contract Administration (est.)	\$ 30,000.00
Permanent Easements	\$ 5,613.05
Land Acquisition	\$ 4,559.60
Temporary Easements	\$ 14,870.29
Construction Contract	<u>\$132,921.09</u>
Total Projected Cost	\$187,964.03

On August 12, 2008, City Council approved funding in the amount of \$183,042.94 from the Local Option Sales Tax fund allocation for this project as well as the 2007/08 Shared Use Path System Program. In turn, the federal funding that was allocated for this project was moved to the 2007/08 program. Engineering and Contract Administration costs are estimated at this time and will be minimized throughout the project through use of city staff, in an effort to keep expenses within the programmed

amount. Any additional funds that may be needed will be financed through the Local Option Sales Tax allocation from the 2008/09 Shared Use Path System Program.

ALTERNATIVES:

- 1a. Accept the report of bids for the 2005/2006 Shared Use Path System (Grand Avenue – Murray Drive to 20th Street).
 - b. Approve the final plans and specifications for the 2005/2006 Shared Use Path System (Grand Avenue – Murray Drive to 20th Street).
 - c. Award the 2005/2006 Shared Use Path System (Grand Avenue – Murray Drive to 20th Street) to Manatt's, Inc. of Ames, Iowa, in the amount of \$132,921.09.
2. Reject the project.

MANAGER'S RECOMMENDED ACTION:

By awarding the contract for the 2005/2006 Shared Use Path System (Grand Avenue – Murray Drive to 20th Street) it will be possible for construction to be targeted for completion by November 30, 2008. The contract documents specify that liquidated damages will be applied if the contract is not complete by November 30, 2008.

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 the 2005/2006 Shared Use Path System (Grand Avenue – Murray Drive to 20th Street) program to Manatt's, Inc. of Ames, Iowa, in the amount of \$132,921.09.