

**COUNCIL ACTION FORM**

**SUBJECT: SOUTHWEST AMES STORM WATER MANAGEMENT IMPROVEMENTS  
(NEAR GREENBRIAR PARK)**

**BACKGROUND:**

This project is to provide a permanent solution to the storm water drainage issue created by undersized culverts under the bike path west of Greenbriar Park. These culverts restrict the flow of the unnamed creek significantly enough that during high water events, water is forced through Greenbriar Park and onto the nearby golf course (Coldwater Golf Links). This project will redirect the unnamed creek resulting in storm water release into Worle Creek and decreased flooding in Greenbriar Park and Coldwater Golf Links. Improvements to Greenbriar Park planned for 2010/11 will create a trailhead for the overall Shared Use Path System from south Ames and will allow this area to become a useful addition to the park system.

On Wednesday, February 17, 2009, bids were received as follows:

<u>Bidder</u>	<u>Amount</u>
Engineer's Estimate	\$365,500.00
Peterson Contractor's, Inc.	\$213,300.00
Con-Struct, Inc.	\$249,500.00
Keller Excavating, Inc.	\$309,000.00

One bid, from Central Iowa Lawn and Home Care, was found to be non-responsive as they did not bid on all the contract items, which is why this bid is not listed above.

Engineering design and administration is estimated in the amount of \$60,000. This brings total estimated costs to \$273,300. Total financing is programmed in the 2009/10 Capital Improvements Plan at \$475,000 from G.O. Bonds.

**ALTERNATIVES:**

- 1a. Accept the report of bids for the Southwest Ames Storm Water Management Improvements (near Greenbriar Park).
  - b. Approve the final plans and specifications for the Southwest Ames Storm Water Management Improvements (near Greenbriar Park).
  - c. Award the Southwest Ames Storm Water Management Improvements (near Greenbriar Park) to Peterson Contractors, Inc. of Reinbeck, IA, in the amount of \$213,300.00.
2. Reject the project.

**MANAGER'S RECOMMENDED ACTION:**

The City was fortunate to receive very good bids on this construction project. Approving the project as soon as possible will allow construction of improvements to begin prior to potential late-spring flooding.

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 Southwest Ames Storm Water Management Improvements (near Greenbriar Park) to Peterson Contractors, Inc. of Reinbeck, IA, in the amount of \$213,300. This bid includes the cost of a bridge to maintain the connection to the City's bike path system.