

**COUNCIL ACTION FORM**

**SUBJECT: 2008/09 WATER SYSTEM IMPROVEMENTS (KELLOGG AVENUE WATER MAIN REPLACEMENT)**

**BACKGROUND:**

The annual Water System Improvements program provides for replacing water mains in areas that are experiencing rusting water problems. It also provides for installing larger distribution mains in areas that have a high concentration of 4-inch supply lines, transferring water services from 4-inch water mains in streets where larger water mains exist, and abandoning 4-inch water mains. Eliminating duplicate water mains, where possible, improves water flow and helps reduce rusty water. Installing larger distribution lines in areas that have a high concentration of 4-inch supply lines and less than desirable fire-fighting capacity (predominately in the older areas of the community) provides larger supply quantities in relation to the current and proposed land uses, in accordance with the Land Use Policy Plan.

This project entails placing an 8-inch water main along Kellogg Avenue from Main Street to 7<sup>th</sup> Street to replace a 4-inch water main in anticipation of future road work. This project will also include transferring of services on Kellogg Avenue from Lincoln Way to Main Street that will allow for abandonment of a 4-inch water main.

Staff completed plans and specifications with estimated construction costs of \$245,000. Engineering and construction administration costs are estimated at \$25,000. This project is shown in the 2008/09 budget with financing in the amount of \$900,000 from the Water Utility Fund. Remaining funds will be used for contingencies and future projects.

This project involves a busy section of our Downtown Business District. Therefore, staff has already conducted meetings with affected and interested parties to inform them of our plans. We will continue to maintain close contact with these parties in an attempt to mitigate any negative impacts that might result from this project.

**ALTERNATIVES:**

1. Approve the 2008/09 Water System Improvements (Water Main Replacement) by establishing May 6, 2009, as the date of letting and May 12, 2009, as the date for report of bids.
2. Do not approve this project.

**MANAGER'S RECOMMENDED ACTION:**

By approving the plans and specifications it will be possible to improve the reliability of water system and to improve the water quality for our citizens.

Therefore, it is the recommendation of the City Manager that the City Council adopt Alternative No. 1, thereby approving the 2008/09 Water System Improvements (Water Main Replacement) by establishing May 6, 2009, as the date of letting and May 12, 2009, as the date for report of bids.