

COUNCIL ACTION FORM

**SUBJECT: 2008/09 DOWNTOWN STREET PAVEMENT IMPROVEMENTS
(BURNETT AVENUE – MAIN STREET TO 7TH STREET)**

BACKGROUND:

This annual capital improvements program is for the rehabilitation/reconstruction of streets within the downtown area (Lincoln Way to 7th Street and Grand Avenue to Duff Avenue). The 1996/97 Downtown Improvements Study recommended several improvement projects in the downtown area. Since that time, Main Street, 5th Street, and 6th Street have all benefited from improvement projects recommended by the Study. These projects involved pavement reconstruction, rehabilitation of storm and sanitary sewers, and streetscapes. This project will next meet the recommendations of the Downtown Improvements Study for the side streets in the downtown area. These streets have not had any improvements in recent years.

The 2008/09 project location is Burnett Avenue from Main Street to 7th Street. The project will consist of reconstruction of the roadway with eight-inch concrete paving. The project also includes sidewalk and street lighting enhancements along the corridor, as well as utility rehabilitation/replacement. Staff has been working closely with the Main Street Cultural District and area businesses to establish the timing of this construction.

Staff has completed plans and specifications with estimated construction costs of \$835,000. Engineering and construction administration fees are estimated at \$127,000. This brings total estimated costs to \$962,000. The project is shown in the 2008/09 Capital Improvements Plan (CIP) with financing established in the amount of \$750,000 from General Obligation Bonds. This project also includes installation of conduit, handholes, and light pole footings for Electric Services in the amount of \$51,500 from the Electric Utility fund, as designated in the 2008/09 CIP. This project will also use funding in the amounts of \$54,000 from the 2008/09 Sanitary Sewer Rehabilitation Program and \$106,500 from the 2008/09 Water System Improvements.

It is important to note that the Main Street Cultural District has recommended to the City staff that decorative lighting in the Downtown Business District only be installed from 6th Street to Lincoln Way. Therefore, the Electric Services Department will follow up with this project by installing decorative street lights from 6th Street to Main Street along Burnett Avenue.

ALTERNATIVES:

1. Approve the 2008/09 Downtown Street Pavement Improvements (Burnett Avenue – Main Street to 7th Street) by establishing March 17, 2010, as the date of letting and March 23, 2010, as the date for report of bids.
2. Do not proceed with this project.

MANAGER'S RECOMMENDED ACTION:

By approving this project, it will be possible to restore the structural integrity of this section of Burnett Avenue. Construction is to be completed by fall 2010 in accordance with the input received from the Main Street Cultural District.

Therefore, it is the recommendation of the City Manager that the City Council adopt Alternative No. 1, thereby approving 2008/09 Downtown Street Pavement Improvements (Burnett Avenue – Main Street to 7th Street) by establishing March 17, 2010, as the date of letting and March 23, 2010, as the date for report of bids.