

COUNCIL ACTION FORM

SUBJECT: 2011/12 COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANT PUBLIC FACILITIES
NEIGHBORHOOD INFRASTRUCTURE IMPROVEMENTS (NORTH HAZEL
AVENUE / NORTH 3RD STREET)

BACKGROUND:

This program was part of the City's 2011/12 Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) Annual Action Plan. The Neighborhood Infrastructure Improvements Program (curb, streets, sidewalks, etc.) targets low and moderate income census tracts. The objective is to replace and/or repair curbs, driveway approaches, sidewalks, and/or street resurfacing areas that have deteriorated and are causing accelerated pavement failure. The overall goal of the program is to preserve and enhance the viability and aesthetics of our core existing neighborhoods.

This specific project replaced the deteriorated pavement on North Hazel Avenue. North Hazel is in a targeted census tract where at least 51 percent of the residents have income at or below 80 percent of the Story County median income limits.

On June 14, 2011, City Council awarded this contract to Manatt's, Inc., of Ames, Iowa, in the amount of \$287,993.17. Construction was completed in the amount of \$414,087.63, which included additional reconstruction along North 3rd Street between North Hazel Avenue and North Russell Avenue. This work was added by Change Order No. 1 approved by Council on August 23, 2011. Engineering and construction administration expenses were \$62,113 bringing the overall project cost to \$476,201.

The project was originally financed with \$300,000 in CDBG funds. However, an additional \$100,000 in CDBG funds was transferred to this Neighborhood Infrastructure Improvement program through Change Order No. 1 on August 23, 2011. Engineering, construction administration, and the remaining construction costs are being covered by remaining unobligated General Obligation Bond funds.

ALTERNATIVES:

1. Accept the 2011/12 CDBG Public Facilities Neighborhood Infrastructure Improvements Program completed by Manatts, Inc., of Ames, Iowa, in the amount of \$414,087.63.
2. Direct staff to pursue modifications to this project.

MANAGER'S RECOMMENDED ACTION:

This neighborhood enhancement project has now been completed in accordance with the approved plans and specifications.

Therefore, it is the recommendation of the City Manager that the City Council adopt Alternative No. 1, thereby accepting the 2011/12 CDBG Public Facilities Neighborhood Infrastructure Improvements Program by Manatt's, Inc. of Ames, Iowa, in the amount of \$414,087.63.