

COUNCIL ACTION FORM

SUBJECT: SHARED USE PATH SYSTEM EXPANSION (SKUNK RIVER TRAIL – HUNZIKER YOUTH SPORTS COMPLEX TO SOUTHEAST 16TH STREET)

BACKGROUND:

This program provides for construction of shared use paths on street rights-of-way, adjacent to streets, and through greenbelts. The Transportation Plan identifies those paths that separate bicycle traffic from higher-speed automobile traffic. This program supports one of the City Council's priorities for the year, connecting our community. This project is shown in the City's Capital Improvements Plan (CIP) in the 2011/12 program year.

Because project funding includes federal funds, the contract was required to be let by the Iowa Department of Transportation (Iowa DOT). On Tuesday, September 18, 2012, bids were received and read by the Iowa DOT as follows:

<u>Bidder</u>	<u>Amount</u>
Con-Struct, Inc.	\$252,409.75
Peterson Contractors, Inc.	\$276,533.70
Manatt's, Inc.	\$296,513.04
Godbersen-Smith Construction Co.	\$312,457.00
Absolute Concrete Construction, Inc.	\$325,492.50

Construction administration and Engineering costs are estimated in the amount of \$52,000, which brings the **total project cost to \$304,409.75.**

Financing is programmed in the 2011/12 CIP to include \$350,000 from the Local Option Sales Tax Fund, and \$86,000 from Federal Surface Transportation Program (STP) funds. This brings to **total available funding to \$436,000.**

ALTERNATIVES:

- 1a. Accept the report of bids for the 2011/12 Shared Use Path Expansion – Skunk River Trail (Hunziker Youth Sports Complex to Southeast 16th Street).
- b. Approve the final plans and specifications for the 2011/12 Shared Use Path Expansion – Skunk River Trail (Hunziker Youth Sports Complex to Southeast 16th Street).

- c. Award the 2011/12 Shared Use Path Expansion – Skunk River Trail (Hunziker Youth Sports Complex to Southeast 16th Street) to Con-Struct, Inc., of Ames, Iowa, in the amount of \$252,409.75, contingent upon receipt of Iowa DOT concurrence.
2. Reject the project.

MANAGER’S RECOMMENDED ACTION:

By accepting the report of bids, approving the final plans and specifications, and awarding the contract (contingent upon receipt of Iowa DOT concurrence), construction will begin and is anticipated to be completed this fall (weather permitting).

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 2011/12 Shared Use Path Expansion – Skunk River Trail (Hunziker Youth Sports Complex to Southeast 16th Street) to Con-Struct, Inc., of Ames, Iowa, in the amount of \$252,409.75, contingent upon receipt of Iowa DOT concurrence.