ITEM # 41 DATE: 09-25-12

## **COUNCIL ACTION FORM**

**SUBJECT:** SOUTH DUFF AVENUE/S.E. 16<sup>TH</sup> STREET FRONTAGE ROAD

## **BACKGROUND:**

In the past, staff has received complaints about the pavement condition on the frontage road south of S.E. 16<sup>th</sup> Street just east of South Duff Avenue. The existing asphalt roadway is a City street that provides access management from U.S. Highway 69 to area businesses. The Public Works Department's pavement management data shows this section of roadway as being in the category of "worst condition" with a pavement condition index of 20 or lower.

The South Duff Avenue/S.E. 16<sup>th</sup> Street Frontage Road Project will rehabilitate the existing pavement through milling, full depth hot mixed asphalt patches, and placement of a new asphalt surface.

On September 19, 2012, bids for this project were received as follows:

Engineer's Estimate	\$ 75,985
Manatt's, Inc.	\$ 73,333

This project entails the following anticipated expenses:

Construction (actual low bid amount)		\$ 73,333
Engineering/Administration (estimated)		\$ 10,500
,	Total	\$ 83,833

On July 26, 2011, City Council approved redirecting **\$165,000** in General Obligation Bonds from the Grand Avenue Extension project to the South Duff Avenue/S.E. 16<sup>th</sup> Street Frontage Road. The Grand Avenue Extension project funds had previously been programmed as a match for anticipated congressionally directed funds, or earmarks. The anticipated earmarks were not received, so City Council redirected the G.O. Bonds to fund other work in accordance with priorities recommended by the City's Pavement Management System.

## **ALTERNATIVES:**

- 1a. Accept the report of bids for the South Duff Avenue/S.E. 16<sup>th</sup> Street Frontage Road.
- b. Approve the final plans and specifications for the South Duff Avenue/S.E. 16<sup>th</sup> Street Frontage Road.

- c. Award the South Duff Avenue/S.E. 16<sup>th</sup> Street Frontage Road to Manatt's, Inc. of Ames, Iowa, in the amount of \$73,333.
- 2. Reject the project.

## MANAGER'S RECOMMENDED ACTION:

By awarding this contract, it will be possible to move forward with rehabilitation of this street during the 2012 calendar year. Impacted businesses in this area have requested fall 2012 construction, if possible. Delay of approval would delay the project until next construction season.

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 South Duff Avenue/S.E. 16<sup>th</sup> Street Frontage Road to Manatt's, Inc. of Ames, Iowa, in the amount of \$73,333.