

COUNCIL ACTION FORM

SUBJECT: GRAND AVENUE EXTENSION (S. 16TH STREET NORTH 400 FT)

BACKGROUND:

The Ames Area Metropolitan Planning Organization's Long Range Transportation Plan identifies the need to extend Grand Avenue from Lincoln Way to South 16th Street. The first two phases of this extension were previously completed from Lincoln Way to Squaw Creek Drive. **This phase involved construction of South Grand Avenue north of South 16th Street to provide access to The Grove apartments and to Coldwater Golf Links.**

On May 10, 2011, the City Council approved an agreement with the Iowa Department of Transportation (Iowa DOT) to utilize leftover federally earmarked funds for the construction of this phase in an amount up to \$510,292. Due to the availability of these federal funds, only 20 percent of the construction cost was required as a local match. Council designated unobligated General Obligation Bonds (G.O. Bonds).

On July 26, 2011, City Council awarded this project to Con-Struct, Inc. of Ames, Iowa, in the amount of \$466,290.49. Construction was completed in the amount of \$517,155.41. Three change orders were processed for this project. The first change order was administratively approved by staff in accordance with purchasing policy and included changes to comply with ADA requirements. The second change order was also administratively approved by staff in accordance with purchasing policy and included the additional of a small retaining wall. The third change order was the balancing change order and was approved by City Council on September 11, 2012. This third change order balanced the actual field installed quantities. Engineering and construction administration costs were \$131,539, which brings overall project costs to \$648,694.41. Of this amount, approximately \$413,724 is through the federal earmark and \$234,970 is from GO Bonds.

ALTERNATIVES:

1. Accept the Grand Avenue Extension (S. 16th Street north 400 ft.) project as completed by Con-Struct, Inc. of Ames, Iowa, in the amount of \$517,155.41.
2. Direct staff to pursue modifications to the project.

MANAGER'S RECOMMENDED ACTION:

The project has now been completed in accordance with approved plans and specifications, is within the approved budget, and has passed an audit by the Iowa DOT.

Therefore, it is the recommendation of the City Manager that the City Council adopt Alternative No. 1, thereby accepting the Grand Avenue Extension (S. 16th Street north 400 ft.) as completed by Con-Struct, Inc. of Ames, Iowa, in the amount of \$517,155.41.