

**COUNCIL ACTION FORM**

**SUBJECT:** 2009/2010 LOW POINT DRAINAGE IMPROVEMENTS (CRYSTAL STREET)

**BACKGROUND:**

This annual program is for drainage improvements to decrease flooding at low points. Low point drainage improvements are typically not always focused on residential street locations, but rather on those locations most in need of the improvements as affected by standing water, flooding, and insufficient pipe capacity. The program identifies core locations for improvements each year. In addition, improvements are made at miscellaneous locations identified throughout the year. During heavy rain, some areas become flooded and damage to private property occasionally occurs.

The project location identified in the 2009/10 Capital Improvements Plan was the drainage area to the east of Crystal Street. The project consisted of clearing overgrown vegetation, installation of subsurface drain tile, removal of excess silt from the drainage channel, and improvements to plantings.

On February 12, 2013, City Council awarded this project to Con-Struct, Inc. of Ames, Iowa, in the amount of \$61,335. A balancing change order, in the amount of \$2,103.15, was administratively approved by staff in accordance with Purchasing Policies and Procedures. This change order reflects actual quantities installed in the field. Construction was completed in the amount of \$63,438.15. Engineering and contract administration costs totaled \$32,660, bringing overall project costs to **\$96,098**.

The project was financed in an amount of **\$125,000** from Storm Sewer Utility Funds. Remaining funds will be used for additional storm sewer and drainage projects in the future.

**ALTERNATIVES:**

1. Accept the 2009/10 Low Point Drainage Improvements (Crystal Street) as completed by Con-Struct, Inc., of Ames, Iowa, in the amount of \$63,438.15.
2. Direct staff to pursue modifications to the project.

**MANAGER'S RECOMMENDED ACTION:**

This project was completed in accordance with the approved plans and specifications and is within the approved budget.

Therefore, it is the recommendation of the City Manager that the City Council adopt Alternative No. 1, thereby accepting the 2009/2010 Low Point Drainage Improvements (Crystal Street) as completed by Con-Struct, Inc., of Ames, Iowa, in the amount of \$63,438.15.