

COUNCIL ACTION FORM**SUBJECT:** 2014 NORTHRIDGE HEIGHTS PARK IMPROVEMENTS**BACKGROUND:**

Development of the City's new Northridge Height Park is currently underway. To date, the City has incurred \$57,339 of expenses for engineering services, transport of fill dirt to the site, and spreading the fill dirt to rough grade. Items yet to be completed at the park are final grading, installation of storm sewer inlets, erosion control, installation and connection of a water line and electric service, sidewalk construction, seeding and installation of the drinking fountain. The remaining amount available for this project is \$153,591.

The engineering estimate for the remaining construction work was \$145,500. In addition, the City will spend approximately \$30,000 for the purchase and installation of a shelter, benches, basketball goals, swings, and park sign. This brought the total estimated cost to finish developing the park to \$175,500, which exceeded the remaining funds available.

Fortunately, as the table below shows, construction bids came in significantly below the engineer's estimate:

Bidder	Part 1 – Grading and Storm Sewer	Part 2 – Pavement and Utilities	Total Bid
Ames Trenching & Excavating	\$46,860	\$49,400	\$96,260
Concrete Connection LLC	\$59,950	\$58,740	\$118,690
MPS Engineers	\$54,000	\$64,975	\$118,975
Con-Struct Inc.	\$58,600	\$72,300	\$130,900
Keller Excavating, Inc.	\$66,000	\$66,000	\$132,000
HPC, LLC	\$57,400	\$75,600	\$133,000
J & K Contracting LLC	\$51,725	\$92,100	\$143,825
Sandstone Management LTD	\$60,687	\$83,464	\$144,151
Synergy Contracting LLC	\$78,400	\$107,800	\$186,200

Staff has reviewed the bids and found the lowest responsive bid to be from Ames Trenching & Excavating in the net amount of \$96,260 for both Parts 1 and 2.

The updated project budget is as follows:

Remaining park budget	\$153,591
Construction award (this item)	- 96,260
Estimated cost of other park improvements	- <u>30,000</u>
Remaining funding	\$ 27,331

ALTERNATIVE:

1. Award the Northridge Heights Park Improvements bid to Ames Trenching & Excavating with the Base Bid for Parts 1 and 2 in the amount of \$96,260.
2. Accept the reporting of bids but do not award the Northridge Heights Park Improvements bid at this time.
3. Reject all bids.

MANAGER'S RECOMMENDED ACTION

The proposed project will complete the site work needed for development of Northridge Heights Park, by no later than June 30, 2014. The park is anticipated to open once sod is established in the fall of 2014.

Therefore, it is the recommendation of the City Manager that the City Council adopt Alternative No. 1, thereby awarding the Northridge Heights Park Improvements bid to Ames Trenching & Excavating with the Base Bid for Parts 1 and 2 in the amount of \$96,260.