

**COUNCIL ACTION FORM**

**SUBJECT: 2016/17 DOWNTOWN STREET PAVEMENT IMPROVEMENTS  
(SHERMAN AVE)**

**BACKGROUND:**

The Downtown Street Pavement Improvements is for the rehabilitation/reconstruction of streets and alleys within the downtown area (Lincoln Way to 7<sup>th</sup> Street and Grand Avenue to Duff Avenue). These projects involve pavement reconstruction, rehabilitation of storm and sanitary sewers, and streetscapes. This program will meet the recommendations of the Downtown Improvements Study for the side streets in the downtown area. **The location for this project is Sherman Ave (Lincoln Way north to Lot W Parking Lot).**

Staff has been working with WHKS of Ames, Iowa on this project. Plans and specifications have been completed for this contract with a total estimated construction cost of \$292,277. Engineering and construction administration costs are estimated at \$58,455, bringing the **total estimated costs for the project to \$350,732.**

This Downtown Street Pavement Improvement is shown in the 2016/17 Capital Improvement Plan with **funding in the amount of \$375,000** from General Obligation bonds.

Staff held a project informational meeting with area property owners and interested persons to receive input on the project timing, staging, and design of the project. The comments received and incorporated into the project design included breaking the project into two separate phases to maintain alley access as long as possible. This staging also minimized the disruption to the adjacent properties.

**ALTERNATIVES:**

1. Approve the plans and specifications for the 2016/17 Downtown Street Pavement Improvements (Sherman Ave) project and establish July 19, 2017, as the date of letting and July 25, 2017, as the date for report of bids.
2. Do not approve this project.

**MANAGER'S RECOMMENDED ACTION:**

By approving these plans and specifications, it will be possible to improve the street quality for our citizens in this area. Therefore, it is the recommendation of the City Manager that the City Council adopt Alternative No. 1, as described above.