

ITEM #. 37

DATE: 07-31-18

COUNCIL ACTION FORM

**SUBJECT: 2017/18 RIGHT-OF-WAY APPEARANCE ENHANCEMENT – 927
DAYTON AVENUE**

BACKGROUND:

This annual program provides for enhancements of the rights-of-way in the City of Ames including retaining walls, entry elements, median enhancements, and monuments. **The location for 2017/18 was 927 Dayton Avenue.**

On March 6, 2018 City Council awarded this project to Country Landscapes, Inc. of Ames, IA in the amount of \$112,492.37. Two change orders were administratively approved by staff. Change order No. 1 in the amount of \$7,667.80 included refinements to the wall alignment to enhance safety and visibility for turning vehicles at 927 Dayton Avenue. Change order No. 2 in the amount of \$7,849.63 was the balancing change order for this project. Design and contract administration costs for this project were \$10,812.96, bringing the **overall project costs to \$138,822.76**

This project is shown in the 2017/18 Capital Improvements Plan (CIP) with funding in the amount of \$85,000. The Right-of-Way Appearance Enhancement CIP Program balance has unobligated funding of \$202,753, bringing **total available funding to \$287,753**. Remaining funding will be used for other Right-of-Way Appearance Enhancement projects.

ALTERNATIVES:

1. Accept the 2017/18 Right of Way Appearance Enhancement – 927 Dayton Avenue project as completed by Country Landscapes, Inc. of Ames, IA in the amount of \$128,009.80.
2. Direct staff to pursue changes to the project.

MANAGER'S RECOMMENDED ACTION:

This project is now completed and has improved safety and visibility for all users.

Therefore, it is the recommendation of the City Manager that the City Council adopt Alternative No. 1, as described above.