

COUNCIL ACTION FORM

SUBJECT: EAST INDUSTRIAL AREA UTILITY EXTENSION PROJECT

BACKGROUND:

The East Industrial Area Utility Extension Project consists of the extension of water and sanitary sewer to the recently annexed area east of Interstate 35 (I-35). More specifically, it involves the installation of water main and gravity sewer between I-35 and Potter Avenue (formerly 590th), force sewer from Teller Ave (formerly 580th) to west of Freel Drive, and construction of a sanitary sewer lift station. This area east of I-35 has been certified by the Iowa Economic Development Authority as the Prairie View Industrial Center.

Stanley Consultants Inc. has completed plans and specifications for this project with total estimated construction costs of \$4,518,440. Engineering, construction administration, and land acquisition expenses are estimated at \$771,000, bringing the **total estimated cost to \$5,289,440.**

This project is shown in the 2016/17 Capital Improvement Plan with **\$5,300,000 in G.O. bond funding (Water and Sewer Utility revenue abated).**

ALTERNATIVES:

1. Approve the plans and specifications for the East Industrial Area Utility Extension Project and establish March 4, 2020 as the date of letting and March 10, 2020 as the date for the report of bids.
2. Do not approve the project.
3. Approve the project with modifications.

MANAGER'S RECOMMENDED ACTION:

The extension of water and sanitary sewer service to this area is necessary to the development of the Iowa Economic Development Authority-certified Prairie View Industrial Center. It is anticipated that this Center will attract large-scale industrial development and promote economic growth in and around the City of Ames.

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