

ITEM # : 40
DATE: 09-26-23
DEPT: W&PC

COUNCIL ACTION FORM

SUBJECT: REPORTING OF BIDS AND AWARD OF CONTRACT FOR WATER TREATMENT PLANT, SOUTHEAST WELLFIELD, AND TECHNICAL SERVICES COMPLEX SECURITY FENCE IMPROVEMENTS

BACKGROUND:

On August 22, 2023, City Council approved plans and specifications and authorized a Notice to Bidders for construction of security fencing at the Water Treatment Plant, Southeast Wellfield, and Technical Services Complex. **This project will help meet the department’s goal of improving physical security measures and protecting critical infrastructure.**

Two bids were received on September 14, 2023, with American Fence of Iowa, Inc. as the apparent lowest, responsible bidder. The bid summary and engineer’s estimate are shown below:

Bidder:	Total Project Base Bid:
American Fence of Iowa, Inc. Johnston, Iowa	\$78,247.60
Midwest Fence & Gate Co. Fort Dodge, Iowa	\$107,673.14
<i>Engineer’s Estimate</i>	<i>\$185,000.00</i>

Carryover into the FY 2023/24 Capital Improvements Plan from prior years includes \$212,925 designated for this work.

ALTERNATIVES:

1. Award the contract to American Fence Company of Iowa, Inc. from Johnston, Iowa, in the amount of \$78,247.60.
2. Do not award a contract at this time.

CITY MANAGER’S RECOMMENDED ACTION:

Construction of security fencing at the Water Treatment Plant, Southeast Wellfield, and Technical Services Complex is a key part of the Water & Pollution Control Department’s goal of improving physical security measures and protecting critical infrastructure. Therefore, it is the recommendation of the City Manager that the City Council adopt Alternative No. 1, as described above.