

ITEM #: 24  
DATE: 11-14-23  
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**COUNCIL ACTION FORM**

**SUBJECT: CONTRACT COMPLETION FOR EMMA MCCARTHY LEE PARK TENNIS AND PICKLEBALL COURTS RENOVATION PROJECT**

**BACKGROUND:**

This project included converting two of the four tennis courts at Emma McCarthy Lee Park, 3400 Ross Rd., into six dedicated pickleball courts. The project also included crack repair on the entire court surface, resurfacing the entire tennis court and pickleball surface with corresponding boundary markings, and installation of posts and nets. Additionally, markings for four additional pickleball courts were installed on the remaining tennis courts, bringing the number of pickleball courts available for use to 10. Portable nets will need to be used for pickleball on the four additional courts.

City Council awarded the contract to Upper Midwest Athletic Construction, Inc., Andover, Minnesota on March 14, 2023, in the amount of \$76,375. Upper Midwest Athletic Construction Inc. completed the work on September 29, 2023. Total available funding for the project was \$126,700. Total project costs are shown below.

<b>Project Costs</b>	<b>Amount</b>
Court surfacing	\$ 76,375
Owner provided items (net posts, nets, anchors)	\$ 6,390
Fencing	\$ 18,940
Engineering	\$ 13,500
<b>Total Project Costs</b>	<b>\$115, 205</b>

**ALTERNATIVES:**

1. Accept completion of the contract for the for the Emma McCarthy Lee Park Tennis and Pickleball Courts Renovation Project with Upper Midwest Athletic Construction Inc., Andover, Minnesota, in the amount of \$76,375.
2. Do not accept completion of the contract for the Emma McCarthy Lee Park Tennis and Pickleball Courts Renovation Project with Upper Midwest Athletic Construction Inc., Andover, Minnesota, in the amount of \$76,375.
3. Refer back to staff.

**CITY MANAGER'S RECOMMENDED ACTION:**

Pickleball is one of the fastest growing sports in America and currently players in Ames are utilizing tennis courts that have pickleball lines painted on them. This project addressed a need in the community by providing designated regulation pickleball courts and nets while still providing two regulation tennis courts at Emma McCarthy Lee Park. **Therefore, it is the recommendation of the City Manager that the City Council adopt Alternative No. 1, as noted above.**