

ITEM #: 33
DATE: 08-13-24
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COUNCIL ACTION FORM

SUBJECT: 2022/23 EAST 13TH STREET SANITARY SEWER EXTENSION

BACKGROUND:

In Ames Plan 2040, the growth and land use elements establish the City’s development vision. One of the elements of the development vision is public infrastructure. Expansion of infrastructure is needed to facilitate continuing commercial, industrial, and residential growth. The **East 13th Street Sanitary Extension** affirms the commitment to growth in the east and northeastern part of the city by providing sanitary sewer in addition to the existing water distribution infrastructure.

On October 10, 2023, City Council approved the contract with On Track Construction, LLC of Nevada, Iowa, in the amount of \$2,125,500. Change Order No.1 was approved in the amount of \$44,675 for the placement of temporary road stone to allow two-way traffic during the winter construction break.

Change Order No. 2 (with this action), is the balancing change order for this project in the amount of \$111,917.96, bringing the total construction cost of the project to \$2,282,092.96. Major items in Change Order No. 2 include considerable additional pavement removal and replacement that was necessary due to unexpected poor soil conditions encountered during construction.

The project is substantially complete, with only minimal work remaining, including grading, and seeding of the project, which will occur early this fall. Public Works has received a request from On Track Construction, LLC to reduce the amount of project retainage, which is currently \$114,104.65. The remaining work has an estimated value of \$5,000. Section 26.13 of Iowa Code requires that a minimum of 200% of the value of the work remaining must be withheld as retainage when a project is substantially completed, which would be \$10,000. All paperwork required per Iowa Code has been received by the Public Works Department.

Revenues and expenses associated with this program are estimated, as follows:

Program	Revenue	Expenses
Ames Plan 2040 Sanitary Sewer - Federal ARPA Funds	\$2,881,981	
Construction		\$2,282,092.96
Engineering/Administration		300,000.00
TOTAL	\$2,881,981	\$2,582,092.96

*ARPA - American Rescue Plan Act

ALTERNATIVES:

1. Approve the following for the 2022/23 East 13th Street Sanitary Sewer Extension project:
 - a. Reduce project retainage to \$10,000.
 - b. Approve Change Order No. 2 increasing the contract in the amount of \$111,917.96.
2. Direct staff to pursue changes to the project.

CITY MANAGER'S RECOMMENDED ACTION:

By extending the sanitary sewer along east of 13th Street, development in the east and northeastern parts of the city is facilitated by providing the proper public infrastructure such as sanitary sewer. Therefore, it is the recommendation of the City Manager that the City Council adopt Alternative No. 1, as noted above.

ATTACHMENT(S):

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