

ITEM #: 27
DATE: 10-22-24
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COUNCIL ACTION FORM

**SUBJECT: 2023/24 AMES PLAN 2040 SANITARY SEWER EXTENSION
(S 500TH AVENUE/COUNTY LINE ROAD)**

BACKGROUND:

This program involves installation of public sanitary sewer infrastructure into the priority growth tiers shown in the Ames Plan 2040. Installing the sanitary sewer system proactively opens the ability to develop land in the adopted growth tiers.

This project includes extending a new 15" sanitary sewer from south of Norris Street west to S 500th Avenue (County Line Road), then north approximately 300'. The add alternate bid would continue the sewer another 460' north to Lincoln Way by directional boring. On October 16, 2024, bids for the project were received as follows:

Bidder	Base Bid Amount	Add Alternate Bid
<i>Engineer's Estimate</i>	\$701,375.00	\$219,108.00
Rognes Corp	\$551,057.70	\$466,803.60
On Track Construction, LLC	\$594,575.00	\$462,387.00
Absolute Group	\$622,792.75	\$624,086.00
J & K Contracting	\$818,387.75	\$570,634.00
Gehrke Inc	\$783,070.00	\$557,479.00
Keller Excavating, Inc.	\$858,206.25	\$825,190.00

The add alternate was determined to not be economically feasible and would not provide service for any pending development. Therefore, it is recommended to only proceed with the base bid. Revenue and expenses associated with the project are estimated as follows:

Funding Source	Available Revenue	Estimated Expenses
American Rescue Plan (ARPA) Funds	\$1,065,000	
Construction (Base Bid)		\$ 551,057.70
Engineering/Administration		\$ 110,000.00
TOTAL	\$ 1,065,000	\$ 661,057.70

ALTERNATIVES:

1. The City Council can approve the following:
 - a. Accept the report of bids for the 2023/24 Ames Plan 2040 Sanitary Sewer Extension (S 500th Avenue County Line Road) project.
 - b. Approve the final plans and specifications for this project.
 - c. Award the 2023/24 Ames Plan 2040 Sanitary Sewer Extension (S 500th Avenue County Line Road) project to Rognes Corp of Ankeny, Iowa, for the base bid amount of \$551,057.70.
2. Award the contract to one of the other bidders.
3. Do not proceed with this project.

CITY MANAGER'S RECOMMENDED ACTION:

By approving the final plans and specifications and awarding the contract, this project will extend public sanitary sewer infrastructure into priority tiers shown in the Growth Plan 2040. Therefore, it is the recommendation of the City Manager that the City Council adopt Alternative No. 1, as described above.

ATTACHMENT(S):

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