

ITEM #: 40  
DATE: 04-08-25  
DEPT: PW

**COUNCIL ACTION FORM**

**SUBJECT: 2023/24 CDBG INFRASTRUCTURE PROGRAM (N RUSSELL AVENUE - N 2ND STREET TO N 4TH STREET)**

**BACKGROUND:**

The intent of this project is to utilize CDBG funds to replace approximately 870 feet of aging 4-inch water mains with new 8-inch water mains and install new water services with copper piping on the north side of N Russell Avenue. **This project will improve water quality, reduce the number of lead services in the water distribution system, increase firefighting service capacity in this area, and benefit a HUD-identified Low- and Moderate-Income (LMI) population (Census Tract 10).** This project location is along N Russell Avenue from N. 2nd Street to N 4th Street.

On April 2, 2025, bids for the project were received as follows:

Bidder	Bid Amount
<i>Engineer's Estimate</i>	<i>\$403,563.00</i>
<b>Iowa Water &amp; Waste Systems</b>	<b>\$346,858.50</b>
Keller Excavating	\$517,746.60

Revenue and expenses associated with the project are estimated as follows:

Funding Source	Available Revenue	Estimated Expenses
CDBG	\$ 560,000	
<b>Construction</b>		\$ 346,858.50
Engineering/Administration		\$ 60,000.00
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$ 560,000</b>	<b>\$ 406,858.50</b>

**ALTERNATIVES:**

1. The City Council can approve the following:
  - a. Accept the report of bids for the 2023/24 CDBG Infrastructure Program (N Russell Ave - N 2nd St to N 4th St) project.
  - b. Approve the final plans and specifications for this project and award the 2023/24 CDBG Infrastructure Program (N Russell Ave - N 2nd St to N 4th St) project to Iowa Water & Waste Systems, of Boone, Iowa, in the amount of \$346,858.50.
2. Award the contract to one of the other bidders.
3. Do not proceed with this project.

**CITY MANAGER'S RECOMMENDED ACTION:**

**By improving the water systems in these local neighborhoods, residents will see improved water quality and firefighting capacity that will benefit a HUD-identified Low- and Moderate-Income (LMI) population.** 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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