



Item: Construction Contract Award: 2008 CDBG (Community Development Block Grant) Sidewalk Replacement, O. F. 1537.2

From: Engineering Division

Initiated By: Public Works Department

Presented By: Jim Rearden, Public Works Director

Action Requested: Consider Bids and Approve Contract

Suggested Motion:

1. Commissioner moves:

"I move the City Commission award a contract in the amount of \$49,000 to United Materials of Great Falls, Inc., for the 2008 CDBG Sidewalk Replacement, O.F. 1537.2, and authorize the City Manager to execute the construction contract documents."

2. Mayor calls for a second, discussion, inquiries from the public, and calls for the vote.

Staff Recommendation: Approve construction contract award.

Background:

Significant Impacts

This project will replace damaged and deteriorated sidewalks for low to medium income homeowners in the City.

Citizen Participation

Homeowners with hazardous sidewalks were sent grant applications to qualify for the project.

Workload Impacts

City engineering staff applied for and were awarded the grant, designed the project, and will perform construction inspection and contract administration duties. The Community Development Department will administer the CDBG program and perform grant and other administrative duties.

Purpose

This project will replace sidewalks that have been damaged by tree roots, natural deterioration, or other destructive forces that have left the sidewalk dangerous for pedestrians. The grant will pay for all of the costs of the sidewalk replacement for low to moderate income homeowners.

Project Work Scope

This project will replace sidewalks at approximately 23 residences which includes over 5,550 square feet of new sidewalk and 2,200 square feet of sodding. These sidewalks will be replaced at various locations throughout the City with the majority being bounded by the area of 8th Avenue North to 6th Avenue North from 15th Street to 26th Street.

Evaluation and Selection Process

Four bids were received and opened for this project on September 10, 2008. The base bids ranged from \$45,625 to \$54,100. To allow for all of the CDBG funds to be spent, an additive bid item was added to bring the final bid up to \$49,000 which is the total available funding. United Materials submitted the low bid and has executed all the necessary documents. United Materials is an established and responsible contractor.

Conclusion

City staff recommends awarding the construction contract to United Materials in the amount of \$49,000.

Concurrences:

Not Applicable.

Fiscal Impact:

The attached bid tabulation summarizes bids that were received. This project will be funded through a Community Development Block Grant.

Alternatives:

The City Commission could vote to deny award of the construction contract.

Attachments/Exhibits:

1. Bid tabulation is attached.

