



July 29, 2015

**ENGINEER'S REPORT**

***3<sup>rd</sup> Ave & 5<sup>th</sup> Ave Reconstruction***

The City received bids July 27<sup>th</sup>. Three contractors submitted bids and Ricklefs Construction, Ltd. from Anamosa, Iowa was the low bidder on all three project scopes. V&K met with City staff to review the bid results on July 28<sup>th</sup>. As previously discussed with Council, there are drainage concerns on 3<sup>rd</sup> Ave between 3<sup>rd</sup> Street and 6<sup>th</sup> Street that need to be evaluated through a drainage study and discussed with the sustainability advisory committee prior to completing work in that area. For this reason, Project Scope 1 is not recommended for award. We reviewed 5<sup>th</sup> Avenue between 3<sup>rd</sup> Street and 7<sup>th</sup> Street with respect to stormwater issues. The improvement plans address concerns with stormwater on each block on 5<sup>th</sup> Avenue. Following discussion, our recommendation is to award Project Scope 2 which includes the first two blocks of 3<sup>rd</sup> Avenue and the full project on 5<sup>th</sup> Avenue. A revised Project Scope 2 overview drawing is attached with updated cost information based on the bid results.

***Water Plant Improvements***

This project was awarded to Portzen Construction at the last City Council meeting. Contract documents have been sent to the contractor. Following receipt of the completed contract, bonds and other required documents, a preconstruction meeting will be held to get the project started. Construction is scheduled to be completed next spring.

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