



City of Grand Island

Tuesday, September 24, 2013

Council Session

Item G-12

#2013-317 - Approving Selection of Vontz Paving, Inc. for the Construction Contract for the Various Locations in Grand Island Resurfacing Project

Staff Contact: John Collins, P.E. - Public Works Director

Council Agenda Memo

From: Scott Griepestroh, Project Manager

Meeting: September 24, 2013

Subject: Approving Selection of Vontz Paving, Inc. for the Construction Contract for the Various Locations in Grand Island Resurfacing Project

Item #'s: G-12

Presenter(s): John Collins PE, Public Works Director

Background

All agreements must be approved by the City Council.

The Various Locations in Grand Island (Resurfacing) project consists of typical asphalt mill and overlay construction, which is accomplished by removing the top of existing asphalt surfacing by cold milling and placement of new Asphaltic Concrete. The project will improve approximately 4.6 miles of city streets and is planned at the following locations.

- Blaine Street – Garland Street to Beltline Trail
- First Street – Walnut Street to Sycamore Street
- North Road – 13th Street to State Street
- Independence Avenue – Capital Avenue to Nebraska Highway 2
- Broadwell Avenue – Anna Street to State Street

Certain locations have been identified for complete pavement removal and reconstruction due to the lack of structural capacity of the existing pavement. These locations include two blocks on First Street, the southern portion of Independence Avenue, and the east side of Broadwell Avenue from Division Street to Second Street. Sidewalk curb ramps will be reconstructed to Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) standards at all intersections.

This project is made possible through funds provided by the Nebraska Department of Roads Surface Transportation Program and the Federal Highway Administration. This project will relieve the City of Grand Island from funding these improvements solely with the Streets Division Resurfacing funds or the Capital Improvements Program fund.

On May 14, 2013, City Council approved Supplemental Agreement No. 1 for limiting future obligations for the Various Locations (Resurfacing) Project. Funding shortfalls were caused by the current highway funding and authorization bill, the Moving Ahead for Progress in the 21st Century Act (MAP-21). To address the funding shortage, NDOR agreed to provide more funds to deliver projects already programmed through STP funds with First Class Cities, but required the federal funding for these projects to be limited. Under Supplemental Agreement No. 1 the maximum amount of STP funds that can be obligated for all project costs is \$2,828,818. The maximum amount that can be obligated for construction costs is 80% of \$2,748,000, or \$2,198,400.

Discussion

As specified in the Program Agreement with NDOR, the State advertised and conducted the letting for this project. Two bids were received and opened on September 5, 2013. The bids were submitted in compliance with the contract, plans and specifications. The bid tabulations are included with this Council item.

<i>Bidder</i>	<i>Exceptions</i>	<i>Bid</i>
Vontz Paving, Inc. of Hastings, NE	None	\$3,137,563.65
The Diamond Engineering Company of Grand Island, NE	None	\$3,297,424.58

Since the lowest bid exceeds the maximum amount for construction costs specified in Supplemental Agreement No. 1, the City of Grand Island will be responsible for 100% of the construction costs in excess of \$2,748,000. The total City cost for construction was originally estimated to be \$549,600, but is now estimated to be \$939,163.65; an increase of \$389,563.65.

Public Works and the NDOR Contracts Section have reviewed the bids and determined them to be acceptable. A recent increase in construction activity regionally is considered as one cause for contractors submitting higher bid prices. It is unlikely that re-advertising the project will result in lower bids.

In order for the project to remain eligible for Federal funding, the project must be awarded prior to September 30, 2013.

The tentative start date for construction is April 28, 2014. The project is expected to be completed in October, 2014. Public Works staff is currently in the process of negotiating the scope and fee for Construction Engineering services with Olsson Associates, Inc.

Alternatives

It appears that the Council has the following alternatives concerning the issue at hand. The Council may:

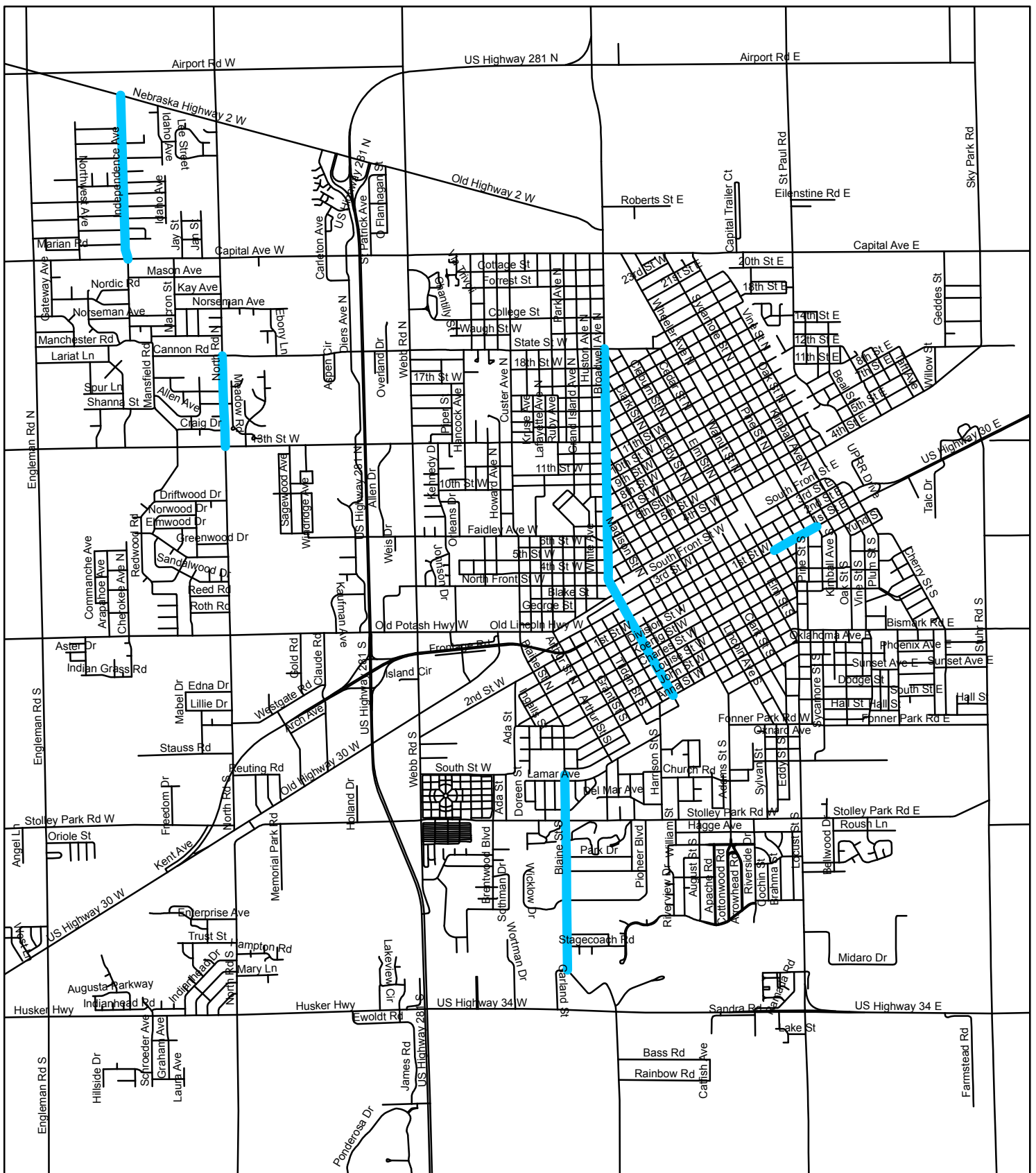
1. Move to approve
2. Refer the issue to a Committee
3. Postpone the issue to future date
4. Take no action on the issue

Recommendation

City Administration recommends that the Council approve the selection of Vontz Paving, Inc. of Hastings, Nebraska for the Construction Contract for the Various Locations in Grand Island Resurfacing Project.

Sample Motion

Move to approve the agreement.



FEDERAL AID PROJECTS

BLAINE ST. - Garland to Stolley Park Rd

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1st ST - Walnut to Sycamore

NORTH ROAD - 13th to State

INDEPENDENCE AVE. - Capital Ave to Neb. Hwy #2

BROADWELL AVE. - Anna to 2nd

BROADWELL AVE. - 2nd to State



PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT

PLOT 01-25-2011----FED-Aid-Overlay-2013.mxd

R E S O L U T I O N

WHEREAS, there has been signed by the City of _____ Grand Island on the _____ 24th day of _____ May _____, 2011, and the State on the _____ 3rd day of _____ June _____, 2011, an agreement providing for the construction of a Federal Aid Project at the following location: bituminous surfaced streets in various locations in Grand Island.

_____, and

WHEREAS, in the above agreement, the City has pledged sufficient funds to finance its share of the cost of the construction of this project identified as _____ URB-5409(2) _____, and

WHEREAS, the above mentioned agreement provided that the City would pay costs as set forth in the agreement, and

WHEREAS, the State and the City received bids for the construction of this project on _____ September 5, 2013 _____, at which time _____ 2 _____ bids were received for the construction of the proposed work, and

WHEREAS, the following contractor(s) for the items of work listed has/have been selected as the low bidder(s) to whom the contract(s) should be awarded:

Vontz Paving, Inc., Hastings, NE

Grading, Culverts, Seeding, Bituminous, General Items: \$3,137,563.65

NOW THEREFORE, in consideration of the above facts, the City Council of the City of _____ Grand Island _____, by this resolution, takes the following official action:

1. If for any reason the Federal Highway Administration rescinds, limits its obligations, or defers payment of the Federal share of the cost of this project, the City hereby agrees to provide the necessary funds to pay for all costs incurred until and in the event such Federal funds are allowed and paid.

2. The Council hereby concurs in the selection of the above mentioned contractor(s) for the items of work listed, to whom the contract(s) should be awarded.

3. The Council hereby authorizes the Mayor to sign the contract(s) with the above mentioned Contractor(s) for the above mentioned work on behalf of the City.

DATED THIS _____ DAY OF _____, A.D. _____

CITY OF _____ GRAND ISLAND _____

ATTEST:

(Mayor)

Council Member _____

(City Clerk)

Moved the adoption of said resolution.

Roll Call: _____ yea, _____ nay.

Resolution adopted, signed and billed as adopted.