

City of Scottsbluff, Nebraska

Tuesday, February 20, 2018

Regular Meeting

Item Consent3

Council to approve the bids and specifications for the 42nd Street construction and authorize the City Clerk to advertise for bids to be received by 2:00 p.m., March 14, 2018.

Staff Contact: Nathan Johnson, City Manager

Advertisement for Bids
42nd Street Improvement Project, Hwy 71 to 5th Avenue

Owner: City of Scottsbluff
Address: 2525 Circle Drive, Scottsbluff, NE 69361

Sealed Bids for the 42nd Street Improvement Project, Hwy 71 to 5th Avenue, for the City of Scottsbluff, will be received by Cindy Dickinson, City Clerk at City Hall, 2525 Circle Drive, Scottsbluff, Nebraska until 11:00 A.M., (Local Time) March 14, 2018, and then, at said office, publicly opened and read aloud.

The project consists of the construction of approximately 26,000 square yard of 8-inch pavement, 6,000 linear feet of storm sewer, and 5,400 linear feet of 15-inch sanitary sewer main and related work. Work shall also include removal of existing pavement, placement of storm sewer and sanitary sewer, and replacement of the street including curb & gutter, sidewalks, driveways, and related work.

The Contract Documents may be examined at the following locations:
City of Scottsbluff
2525 Circle Drive
Scottsbluff, NE 69361

M.C. Schaff & Associates
818 South Beltline Highway East
Scottsbluff, NE 69361

Copies of the Contract Documents may be obtained at the office of M.C. Schaff & Associates located at 818 South Beltline Highway East, Scottsbluff, NE 69361 upon payment of \$50.00 for each set, none of which will be refunded.

/s/ Cindy Dickinson
City Clerk

Publish three times:
2/23/2018
3/2/2018
3/9/2018

City of Scottsbluff
Attn: Nathan Johnson, City Manager
2525 Circle Drive
Scottsbluff, NE 69361

February 16, 2018

RE: Pedestrian/Bicycle Access
42nd Street Improvements

Honorable Mayor and Council:

Thank you for the opportunity to work with the City of Scottsbluff on the 42nd Street improvement project slated for construction in 2018. The project will provide a much needed improvement to the City.

The 42nd Street corridor is a major arterial for not only today's economic growth but for future growth to the community. A significant effort was put into developing a street corridor that not only meets today's needs but the foreseeable needs in the future. Recognizing that alternate transportation modes including pedestrian and bicycles have become a very important part of our quality of life, a significant effort was put into providing a proposed project to meet our community's needs, but also fit within a very tight construction budget.

The first priority of the project is and should be to provide a safe and reliable route and meet the demands of a major arterial street. Based on current and future traffic loads, a three lane configuration consisting of an east bound, west bound and center turn lane is optimal. This corridor experiences a significant truck load to accommodate the needs of the areas industries demands and it also experiences a significant agricultural demand during harvest season. To accommodate these types of vehicles, lane widths of 12-feet are necessary to safely match the 35 mile per hour speed limit. These lane widths are not only established in the City of Scottsbluff development standards but also meet the requirements of the Nebraska Board of Classification and Standards. Narrower lane widths will not meet these requirements.

Although the 42nd Street corridor is not specifically listed as a dedicated "Bicycle" or "Pathway" route in the City of Scottsbluff master plan, this corridor is a favorite for use of both. Currently, there is curbside sidewalk on the south side of the street from 5th Avenue to Avenue B only. The proposed improvements will accommodate 5-foot curbside sidewalk on both sides of the street for the entire length of the project, 5th Avenue to Avenue I. We evaluated moving the sidewalk off of the curb, however, with right of way constraints, grading requirements and maintenance demands not only on the property owner but city staff during snow removal, it was determined that the proposed configuration best meets the needs of the City.

We are excited about the next phase of the Monument Valley Pathway. The new pathway which is designed to accommodate a large number of both pedestrians and bicycles will provide this project area with a specific corridor for such activities. The pathway will be accessible from Regional West Medical

Center, Avenue B as well as 5th Avenue through the existing trail system. We anticipate that the majority of usage currently on 42nd Street will transfer to the more accessible trail system once it is constructed.

We look forward to a successful construction phase and the completion of a much needed improvement to the City of Scottsbluff.

Regards,

FOR THE FIRM OF
M.C. SCHAFF & ASSOCIATES

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read 'D. Schaff', followed by a series of horizontal strokes.

David Schaff, P.E.