


COUNCIL COMMUNICATION

	Number:	19-126	Meeting:	March 25, 2019
	Agenda Item:	50	Roll Call:	19-0510
	Submitted by:	Benjamin R. Page, Park and Recreation Director and Steven L. Naber, P.E., City Engineer		

AGENDA HEADING:

Hearing on Evelyn K. Davis Park Basketball Court Lighting: Resolution approving plans, specifications, form of contract documents, engineer's estimate, receive and file bids, and designating lowest responsible bidder as Ardent Lighting, L.L.C. d/b/a Ardent Lighting Group, LLC, Jeannie Everly, President, \$72,800.

SYNOPSIS:

This is a public hearing to allow for public input on the Evelyn K. Davis Park Basketball Court Lighting and take the necessary actions as required by Iowa Code to authorize a contract for construction of the proposed project. This project installs a new lighting system for the Evelyn K. Davis Park basketball courts using an LED lighting source mounted on two (2) new pole lights.

FISCAL IMPACT:

Amount: \$72,800 Construction Contract (\$67,000 City Engineer's Estimate)

Funding Source: 2019-2020 CIP, Page Park – 15, Park Improvements, PK137, Being: \$13,185.34 provided by Invest Health grant - a joint Robert Wood Johnson Foundation and Reinvestment Fund program; and the remaining \$59,614.66 in G.O. Bonds

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION:

- On February 25, 2019, under Roll Call No. 19-0265, the City Council received and filed plans, specifications, form of contract documents, and City Engineer's estimate for the construction of the Evelyn K. Davis Park Basketball Court Lighting. Before the City Council can enter into a contract, it must hold a public hearing and approve the proposed plans, specifications, and form of contract documents and engineer's estimate for the construction of the Evelyn K. Davis Park Basketball Court Lighting, 11-2019-006. The improvement includes installation of a lighting system for the Evelyn K. Davis Park basketball courts using an LED lighting source mounted on two (2) new pole lights, including installation of below-grade wiring in PVC conduit via direct bury and/or directional boring, lighting control panel, interior conduit feeders, removal and replacement of existing sidewalk, and surface restoration; all in accordance with the contract documents, including Plan File Nos. 584-168/170, located at Evelyn K. Davis Park, 1400 Forest Avenue, Des Moines, Iowa.

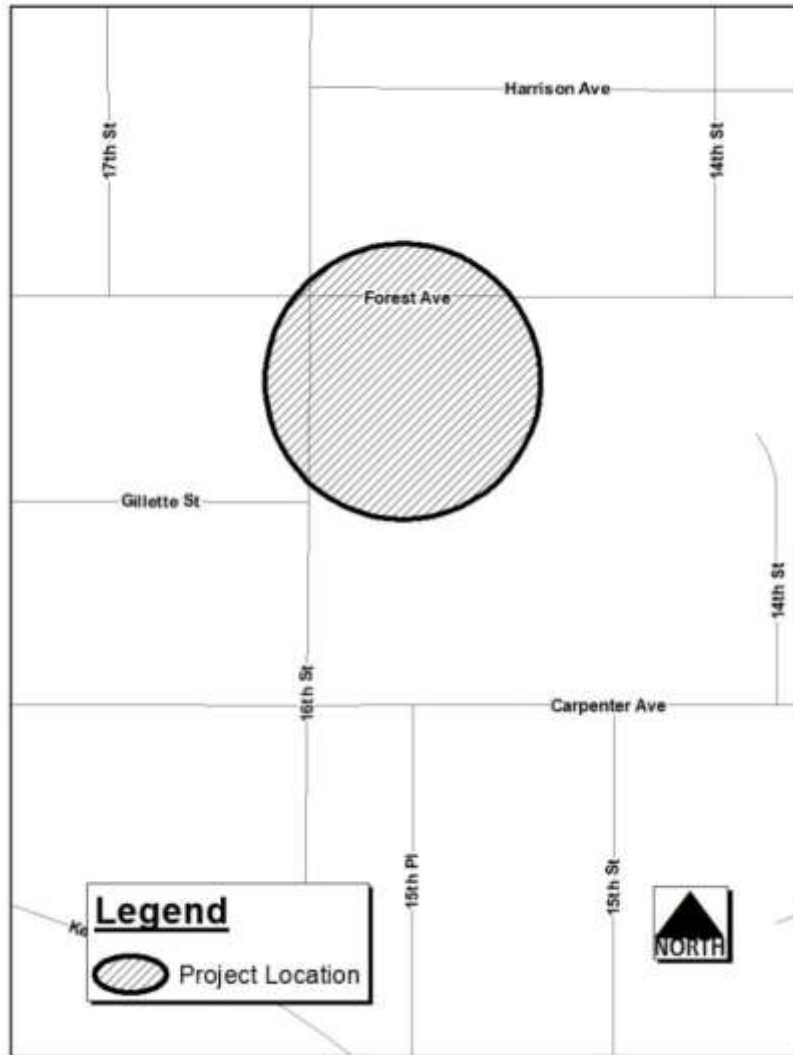
- Sealed bids for said improvement were submitted by the following bidders:
 - Ardent Lighting, L.L.C. d/b/a Ardent Lighting Group, LLC, Knoxville, IA
 - Van Maanen Electric, Inc., Newton, IA - Bid not read, Proposal not signed

- Only two (2) bids were received even though bidding documents were distributed to seven (7) Plan Rooms located in six (6) states, including Iowa. Contractors can obtain bidding documents from Plan Rooms, electronically from the City website, or can stop in at the Engineering office. Since contractors can obtain documents from other places besides the City of Des Moines, the Engineering Department does not know the extent of contractors that actually have the documents. In addition, the one (1) contractor who obtained bidding documents from the City did not bid. The two (2) bids received were from bidders who did not obtain their documents from the Engineering Department and their names did not appear on the distribution list. One (1) of the two (2) bids submitted could not be read since the bidder did not sign the Proposal, which is a cause for disqualification. Engineering staff received feedback noting that since this was a small lighting project with a tight completion window, there was not much interest on bidding the project.

- The bid was received and opened at a public meeting presided over by the Engineer in the City Council Chambers, 2nd Floor, City Hall, 400 Robert D. Ray Drive, Des Moines, Iowa at 11:00 a.m. on March 12, 2019.

- The City Engineer has determined that the lowest responsive, responsible bid for the construction of said improvement was submitted by Ardent Lighting, L.L.C. d/b/a Ardent Lighting Group, LLC, Jeannie Everly, President, 1378 118th Place, Knoxville, IA, 50138 in the amount of \$72,800, and said bid should be accepted. The Finance Director has determined that funds are available for said improvement as stated above.

- Grant funding applications have been submitted for consideration. If approved, the grant funding will reduce planned G.O. Bond funding.



PREVIOUS COUNCIL ACTION(S):

Date: February 25, 2019

Roll Call Number: [19-0265](#)

Action: Ordering construction of the following:

- (B) [Evelyn](#) K. Davis Park Basketball Court Lighting: Receiving of bids, (3-12-19), Setting date of hearing, (3-25-19). Engineer's estimate, \$67,000. ([Council Communication No. 19-067](#))
Moved by Mandelbaum to adopt. Motion Carried 7-0.

BOARD/COMMISSION ACTION(S): NONE

ANTICIPATED ACTIONS AND FUTURE COMMITMENTS:

- Partial payments to the contractor and final acceptance of work.
- Acceptance of grant funds, if applications are approved.

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