

City Council Meeting Date: January 7, 2025

To: Mayor and City Council
City Administrator

From: David Bennett, Public Works Director/City Engineer
Sean Simonson, Engineering Manager

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Consider Accepting Bids and Awarding Contract - Wall Street Road Improvement Project.

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Action Requested:

Staff recommends approval of the attached Resolution accepting bids and awarding the contract for the Wall Street Road Improvement Project (STRT2022-A70).

Summary Report:

The City Council is being asked to award the contract for the Wall Street Road Improvement Project (STRT2022-A70). This is a joint project with Rice County, and Rice County is supportive of awarding the contract.

The Plans and Specifications were completed by Bolton and Menk and at the December 3, 2024, City Council Meeting, the Council authorized the advertisement for bids via Resolution 2024 - 125. The ad for bid was published in the Northfield News, on the MnDOT eAdvert site, and the City of Northfield website.

The City received six (6) competitive bids (Attachment 3), which were publicly opened and tabulated on January 2, 2025 at 2:00 p.m. The bids ranged from \$4,515,432.54 to \$5,294,379.76 with the lowest responsible bidder being McNamara Contracting, Inc. with a total bid amount of \$4,515,432.54. This compared to the engineers estimate of \$5,300,000.00. This project is identified in the 2024 - 2028 Capital Improvement Plan (CIP), and funding for the project is a combination of enterprise funds, franchise fees, grant funding, bonding and Rice County as outlined in Attachment 4.

City staff and Rice County recommend awarding the project.

Alternative Options:

The City Council may decide not to award the project; however Staff would not recommend that option.

Financial Impacts:

The funding tables at the time of contract award are shown below. In addition, funding for the 1% for the arts is included with the project. The award resolution includes transferring the 1% for the arts to the Arts and Culture Fund at this time.

ESTIMATED PROJECT COSTS						
	APPROVE PLANS			CONTRACT AWARD		
	CITY OF NORTHFIELD	RICE COUNTY	TOTAL	CITY OF NORTHFIELD	RICE COUNTY	TOTAL
Street	\$1,477,360	\$1,650,966	\$3,128,327	\$1,227,020	\$1,499,692	\$2,726,712
Trail/Sidewalk	\$125,256	\$125,256	\$250,512	\$118,471	\$118,471	\$236,942
Storm Sewer	\$398,189	\$488,045	\$886,234	\$287,811	\$351,769	\$639,581
Sanitary Sewer	\$416,240	\$0	\$416,240	\$314,998	\$0	\$314,998
Watermain	\$669,830	\$0	\$669,830	\$597,199	\$0	\$597,199
Bridge	\$417,270	\$417,270	\$834,540	\$345,675	\$345,676	\$691,350
Construction Subtotal	\$3,504,146	\$2,681,537	\$6,185,683	\$2,891,175	\$2,315,608	\$5,206,783
Art (1%)	\$30,869	\$0	\$30,869	\$25,455	\$0	\$25,455
Subtotal with Art	\$3,535,014	\$2,681,537	\$6,216,552	\$2,916,630	\$2,315,608	\$5,232,238
Construction Contingency (10 %)	\$353,501	\$268,154	\$621,655	\$291,663	\$231,561	\$523,224
Construction Total	\$3,888,516	\$2,949,691	\$6,838,207	\$3,208,293	\$2,547,169	\$5,755,462
Overhead (20%)	\$757,861	\$610,709	\$1,368,570	\$641,659	\$509,434	\$1,151,092
Property Acquisition	\$175,000	\$0	\$175,000	\$175,000	\$0	\$175,000
Total Project Costs	\$4,821,377	\$3,560,399	\$8,381,777	\$4,024,951	\$3,056,603	\$7,081,554

ESTIMATED PROJECT COSTS						
	FEASIBILITY			CONTRACT AWARD		
	CITY OF NORTHFIELD	RICE COUNTY	TOTAL	CITY OF NORTHFIELD	RICE COUNTY	TOTAL
City Bonding	\$2,829,256	\$0	\$2,829,256	\$2,032,830	\$0	\$2,032,830
Rice County Funding	\$0	\$3,168,129	\$3,168,129	\$0	\$2,664,333	\$2,664,333
Storm Fund - City	\$383,710	\$0	\$383,710	\$383,710	\$0	\$383,710
Sanitary Fund - City	\$419,955	\$0	\$419,955	\$419,955	\$0	\$419,955
Watermain Fund - City	\$796,186	\$0	\$796,186	\$796,186	\$0	\$796,186
Bridge Bonding	\$392,270	\$392,270	\$784,540	\$392,270	\$392,270	\$784,540
Total Project Costs	\$4,821,377	\$3,560,399	\$8,381,777	\$4,024,951	\$3,056,603	\$7,081,554

Art 1% Funding Allocation	
	APPROVE PLANS
Capital Reserve Fund (Street Share)	\$13,455
Storm Fund	\$2,878
Sanitary Fund	\$3,150
Water Fund	\$5,972
Total Project Costs	\$25,455

Tentative Timelines:

See the Project Process (Attachment 3) for upcoming project milestones.