

**TO: City Council** 

FROM: Rich LaBombard, City Manager

SUBJECT: 333 Blue Star Highway Storm Drain & Sidewalk Project

Striving to make Douglas a walkable city is an important goal of the City Council. A walkable city is one that is well connected with easy accessibility for residents and tourist. With the 2022 renovation of the Dunes Resort property, Planning Commission made a recommendation to City Council to order construction of the sidewalk at 333 Blue Star Highway to further their walkability goal.

On April 18, 2022, City Council held a public hearing to establish terms for compliance with Chapter 93, Streets and Sidewalks, which requires the owners of lots and premises to construct or repair sidewalks in the public streets adjacent to and abutting upon the lots and premises. Resolution 10-2022 obligated the City to cost share for grading and storm drain culvert work prior to the sidewalk construction portion.

The City Engineer provided estimates for the construction of those sidewalks at \$87,000 for the storm drain portion and \$63,000 for the sidewalk portion. City Council allowed for a 2-year completion of the sidewalk portion; however, the City will cover the cost of the necessary survey, engineering, inspections, and site restoration if completed in conjunction with the drain project.

After a formal bidding process, the City received the following bids:

Compton, Inc. of South Haven \$98,327.00

Redline Excavating, LLC of Holland \$134,500.00

Anlaan Corporation of Grand Haven \$147,936.50

City staff is seeking the award of the contract to Compton, Inc. in the amount of \$98,327, with the Dunes Resort cost share total of \$17,800, leaving a total of \$80,527 as the City's portion.

Funds for this project have been budgeted in the FY 22-23 budget under:

Blue Star Corridor Improvement Fund – Capital Outlay Account 403-463-979 - \$87,000

Should City Council award the contract, a budget amendment must be approved in the amount of \$11,327, however, the City will recoup \$17,800 from the Dunes Resort after completion.

Sample Motion: I recommend City Council award Compton, Inc. of South Haven, MI the 333 Blue Star Highway storm drain and sidewalk project for \$98,327 and amend the budget by \$11,327.