



## CITY OF MARSHALL AGENDA ITEM REPORT

<b>Meeting Date:</b>	Tuesday, September 24, 2019
<b>Category:</b>	CONSENT AGENDA
<b>Type:</b>	ACTION
<b>Subject:</b>	Consider awarding farm lease for City owned property located in Commerce Industrial Park to Keith Wambeke.
<b>Background Information:</b>	<p>Commerce Industrial Park Second Addition has been platted and infrastructure has been installed in anticipation of development of this property for commercial and industrial purposes. In the meantime, as no development has occurred, the City has solicited bids to lease property for agricultural purposes. The attached map identifies 126.5 acres available for agricultural production.</p> <p>The City solicited bids regarding entering into a 4 year lease agreement for the property. Two bids were received and opened on Thursday, September 12, 2019. Two bids were received and opened on Thursday, September 12, 2019. The two bids received are as follows:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Keith Wambeke \$70 per acre, annual payment \$8,855 per year.</li> <li>2. RJC, Inc. (Richard Carrow) \$59.76 per acre, annual payment \$7,560 per year.</li> </ol> <p>City staff is recommending that City Council award the four year farm lease to Keith Wambeke. Proposed lease is attached for your consideration. City Attorney Simpson has spoken to bidder Keith Wambeke. Mr. Wambeke intends to hay the property for each of the four years of this lease. The lease does authorize the City to develop property and thereby decrease the acres that would be subject to the lease.</p>
<b>Fiscal Impact:</b>	The income generated by the lease will exceed the real estate taxes that must be paid by the City.
<b>Alternative/ Variations:</b>	No alternative actions recommended.
<b>Recommendations:</b>	City Council consider and authorize the proper officials to sign the farm lease on behalf of City of Marshall with Lessee Keith Wambeke.