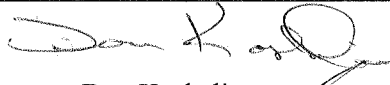
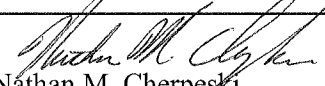


COUNCIL COMMUNICATION

DATE: March 29, 2010	AGENDA NO. C, 1, a	SUBJECT: 2010 Concrete Replacement Program
Department Head:  Public Works Don Koskelin		
City Manager:  Nathan M. Cherpeski		
PRESENTED BY: Don Koskelin		

Background: This year's program includes the work that will be done as part of the State Avenue Improvement Project. We had four bids for this year's Program with the results as follows:

Elite Construction	\$ 92,282.92
Alcon Construction	103,685.85
Valley Flatwork	121,711.00
Builder's Edge	182,374.00

As you can see, there is quite a spread in the bid prices. That is not uncommon for work like this since it involves a lot of hand work in multiple locations. It all depends on what crews the bidders have available to them and what other work they have or expect to have during the construction period. The City does not have direct contracting experience with the lowest and highest bidder, but the principle of Elite Construction was formerly employed by one of the local contractors with whom we have had a great deal of experience before starting his own firm.

Issue Before the Council: Does council want to award this bid to the lowest responsive and responsible bidder, Elite Construction?

Fiscal Impact: Part of this project will be funded under the Street Improvement Project and part under our Concrete Improvement Project. This bid is under the amount budgeted for these projects.

Legal Opinion: City Attorney will be present for comment.

Conclusion: The low bidder is very aware of our requirements and the time critical nature of the State Avenue portion of this project. They have experience in this type of work and should be able to perform to our satisfaction and should be awarded the bid.