

**MEMORANDUM**

**To:** Mayor and City Council

**From:** Michael Smith, Director of Public Works

**Date:** December 8, 2014

**Subject:** **Discussion of Construction Contract for Mount Vernon Road Water and Road Improvements**

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**ITEM DESCRIPTION**

Report of bid results and discussion of a contract for construction of a new water main, sidewalk and repaving on Mount Vernon Road between Ashford Dunwoody Road and Vernon Oaks Drive.

**BACKGROUND**

The city's paving plan has identified Mount Vernon Road between Ashford Dunwoody Road and Vernon Oaks Road as a priority for paving since 2013. Since that time Dunwoody has been coordinating with DeKalb County Watershed Management to replace an obsolete asbestos cement water main prior to repaving the roadway. DeKalb County has funded a capital program to replace aging asbestos cement water mains throughout the county.

The city and county have entered into an Intergovernmental Agreement (IGA) whereby the city would bid the water main replacement and repaving as one project with the county reimbursing the city for the cost of the water main replacement work. The new water main east of Dunwoody Village will be constructed off the south side of the roadway. Because this area will already be disturbed for the water main work, the city has prepared construction plans for a planned sidewalk on the same side of the road. Constructing the sidewalk and water main concurrently rather than as two separate projects will minimize the disruption to adjacent residents.

Bids were advertised in November and are scheduled to be opened on December 8<sup>th</sup>. In order to expedite construction with the goal of completing the paving in 2015, staff will present the results of the bid opening to the City Council at the work session on the 8<sup>th</sup> for possible approval at the council meeting immediately following.