

Horton ballfield project being re-bid again

(KNZA)--The Horton City Commission has rejected the bids received for the ballfield improvements project and is re-bidding the project again.

The Commission took the action at a special meeting March 9 after the bids, which were let last month, came in over budget yet again--this time by about \$200,000.

The Kansas Department of Commerce has granted the city a 60-day extension until April 28 to award the construction contract.

City Administrator John Calhoon is hopeful the commission can award the bid at their regular meeting on April 18.

The city was awarded a \$190,000 Community Development Block Grant last year for the project and about \$200,000 has been raised from donations.

Calhoon told commissioners the city will likely need to come up with additional funding for the project due to inflation.

The commission discussed the option of submitting another grant application in November for additional funds.

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