

# ITEM REPORT UTILITIES COMMISSION

Agenda Date: 12/4/2024 Agenda Section: Business Item

**Department Origination: Public Works** 

**Agenda Item:** Approve the RL Larson Excavating, Inc. Change Order No. 7 in the increased amount of

\$17,015.82 for the 2024 South Forestview Improvements Project, Municipal Project No.

4138

**Approval Required:** Simple Majority Vote

#### **BACKGROUND**

RL Larson Excavating, Inc. was awarded the Construction Contract for the project at the March 19, 2024 City Council Meeting.

Change Order No. 7 with RL Larson Excavating, Inc. includes added work items resulting in an estimated amount of \$17,015.82.

Description of Items are included here for reference:

Part 1: During initial startup and testing, the new weather warning siren was found not to be communicating properly with the City and County's emergency system. The Engineer and City requested that the contractor and subcontractor coordinate with the company that completes programming for the storm sirens within the County's system. This work was considered extra work related to the project.

Part 2: As part of the construction process for installation of the lift station control panel and associated wiring, an initial site meeting was held with staff from the Minnesota Department of Labor and Industry (MnDLI) to review installation procedures and code compliance. Following this meeting, a MnDLI inspection was completed on a different lift station project in the city which resulted in necessary modifications to conduit placement and vent piping clearance. Upon further review of the recent inspection and continued conversations with the MnDLI Inspector, it was determined that modifications to conduit and vent piping at Lift Stations 25 and 26 would be required to pass the formal electrical inspection. Subsequently, the Contractor modified the conduit layout and returned the original vent pipe to the manufacturer to add a section of piping to make it taller.

Part 3: During construction, the support brackets approved for the lift station piping were lagging for delivery, so the City requested alternate more readily available brackets to allow the startup to occur sooner than the contract required. This Change Order includes material cost for the alternate brackets. The original brackets ordered for the project will be delivered to the City and included in their inventory for future use.

Part 4: During construction of the trailhead area near the southernmost limit of Forestview Drive, City Staff requested that fill material be imported to build a slight berm between the trail and the paved cul-de-sac area to enhance the visual barrier between the end of the cul-de-sac and Highway 371.

Part 5: After initial construction of the barricades, the City noted their preference for aluminum barricade panels. The project specifications did not require aluminum panels for the permanent barricades. The items included with the Change Order are new bid items for installation of barricades with aluminum panels.

### **FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS**

A complete breakdown of the project budget as approved by City Council at the March 19, 2024 meeting when the assessments were adopted, current expenditures, and projected costs are outlined in the attached Exhibit A.

The costs associated with this change order are accounted for in the line item for "Contingencies".

### **STAFF RECOMMENDATIONS**

Staff recommends approval of the RL Larson Excavating, Inc. Change Order No. 7 in the increased amount of \$17,015.82 for the 2024 South Forestview Improvements Project, Municipal Project No. 4138.

## **UTILITY COMMISSION ACTION REQUESTED**

**MOTION** to approve the RL Larson Excavating, Inc. Change Order No. 7 in the increased amount of \$17,015.82 for the 2024 South Forestview Improvements Project, Municipal Project No. 4138.