

Rural Development

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SUBJECT: City of Buchanan Water & Sewer Improvements Project
Construction Contract Bid Award

Dear Mr. Lynch,

We have received copies of the May 30, 2024 letter from your engineer, Prein & Newhof, recommending bid award for the above-mentioned project. We have also reviewed the bid tabulations with respect to our concurrence in the bid award. It appears that a fair showing of bidders responded to the advertisement with three bids received for the contract.

As a primary tier recipient of federal funds, you have responsibilities under 2 CFR 180.300 to screen contractors for exclusions under the System for Award Management (SAM). You can accomplish this in one of three ways: checking contractor names at www.sam.gov/content/exclusions; collecting a certification (certification forms are currently included in the RD standard contract documents) or adding a clause or condition to the covered transaction. If you need any assistance in this regard, please contact me.

We concur with Michael Schwartz's recommendation letter and your tentative award of the work in the amounts as listed below:

	<i>Low Bidder</i>	<i>Amount</i>
City of Buchanan Contract 1 Downtown Reconstruction Street & Utility Improvements	Kamminga & Roodvoets, Inc.	\$10,534,150.83

Said award should be made subject to the availability of funds and completion of necessary financial arrangements with USDA Rural Development. Please be advised that we require a review of the contract documents and a certification signed by the

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local attorney (Exhibit GC-A of the General Conditions), before we can concur with the contract.

Federal law requires prospective lower tier participants to certify that neither it, nor its principals, is presently debarred, suspended, proposed for debarment, declared ineligible or voluntarily excluded from participation in this transaction by any federal department or agency.

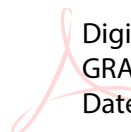
Surety companies executing construction contract bonds must appear on the Treasury Department's most current Circular 570, List of Approved Sureties. The dates of the performance and payment bonds may not be prior to the date of the construction contracts. The effective date of "Power of Attorney" attached to the bonds, must be the same as the bonds. The bonds must be the EJCDC bond forms, 2018 version.

Please continue to work with Paul Bristol of our Grand Rapids area office in the remainder of the project processing. If you have any questions or need additional information, please feel free to contact us.

Sincerely,

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Andrew H. Granskog, P.E.
State Engineer

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cc Paul Bristol, Area Specialist – Grand Rapids A/O (by email)
Prein & Newhof – Michael Schwartz, PE (by email)