



Bid Award and Contract Authorization Stallings Lane Transmission Line Project

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SUMMARY AND REQUESTED COUNCIL ACTION

Acting in the role of the Local Contract Review Board, this item is a request for bid award to Wildish Construction Co as the responsible and responsive low bidder with a bid of \$517,348.50 as well as an authorization for the City Administrator to execute the associated contract for the Stallings Lane Transmission line Construction Project. This project is the third phase of a three-phase project providing additional water supply to the City's municipal water system. The project was put out to bid on May 18, 2026 with a closing date of June 18, 2026.

Suggested Motion

I move to accept the bid and award the City of Coburg Stallings Lane Wellhouse project to Wildish Construction Co in the amount of \$517,348.50 as the responsible and responsive low bidder as reviewed and determined by the City of Coburg contract City Engineer and authorize the City Administrator to execute the project contract as presented.

BACKGROUND

Utilizing the 2016 Water Master Plan, the City obtained a \$5.6 million dollar Water Loan managed by Business Oregon in 2019 to make significant investments in the City's municipal water system. A number of important projects have been completed, including the Coleman waterline replacement, the waterline extension to the east side of I-5 (included a bore under I-5), purchase of the Stallings Lane property and the drilling/tapping of a well on Stallings, which represents phase one of this current three phase water supply project.

Water Loan Details

- Executed in 2019
- Project priorities and initial cost estimates taken from 2026 Water Master Plan
- Water Fund revenues (rates) estimated based on population growth estimates that projected much higher growth than actually occurred leaving a smaller customer base than anticipated
- Two extensions have been applied for and granted to extend the loan expiration date to March of 2026

CITY COUNCIL STAFF REPORT

- An additional \$1 million was offered by Business Oregon and accepted by the City Council on April 14, 2026
- Debt service for the total loan amount begins in December of 2027 (FY28) with an estimated annual payment of \$220,000.
- A one time accrued interest payment of approximately \$250,000 will be due in early FY28 in advance of the initial annual debt service payment (interest from loan drawdowns since 2019).

As has been discussed in a number of Council meetings over the past several years, project costs have sharply increased, leading to the constriction on the number of projects accomplished with the water loan funds compared to the original estimate and plan. See below for a summary of the water supply project phasing/cost plan.

Stallings Lane Water Supply Project				
Description		Bid, Construction & Purchase Costs	Design/Eng & Other Costs	TOTAL
Pre-project	Stallings Lane Land Purchase	\$ 475,000	\$ -	\$ 475,000
Phase I	Well drilling/casing/capping	\$ 550,000	\$ 100,000	\$ 650,000
Phase II	Wellhouse/Treatment/Equipment	\$ 1,500,000	\$ 700,000	\$ 2,200,000
Phase III	Transmission Line to System	\$ 900,000	\$ 100,000	\$ 1,000,000
		\$ 3,425,000	\$ 900,000	\$ 4,325,000

As highlighted in the table above, the cost estimate for the transmission line was between \$850,000 and \$900,000 at the time the additional \$1m loan amount was being secured. With indications from other recent, similar project bids around the region, City and Branch staff were cautiously optimistic that the project would come in under the prior estimate. As shown in the bid summary attachment, the bid responses ranged from \$517,348 to \$764,483 among the eight firms submitting qualified bids.

RECOMMENDATION

Staff recommends Council award the bid to Wildish Construction Co and direct the City Administrator to execute the associated contract as presented in the staff report attachment. The bid process had high participation levels with three distinct tiers of bids providing a solid reflection of the current public infrastructure construction marketplace.

BUDGET / FINANCIAL IMPACT

As noted above, the completion of the Stallings Lane Transmission line project completes three phase project that will allow for the long planned additional water supply and redundant distribution mechanism. This project also completes the eligible projects for the Water Loan funds and will result in future debt service payments of approximately \$220,000 per year. Once this

project is completed, staff will present Council with a complete summary of the projects, final costs and loan repayment details, likely in the spring/summer of 2027.

PUBLIC INVOLVEMENT

The Water Loan and the projects that it funds have been identified and discussed in a number of prior Council meetings and work sessions, most directly and formally in the July 2024 Council Work Session and the annual Capital Improvements Plan Council review/approval meetings (April 9, 2024 and February 11, 2025) and most recently in the April 14, 2026 Council meeting approving the additional \$1m in available loan funds.

NEXT STEPS

If award is approved, staff will coordinate with Wildish Construction for contract execution and will schedule the initial pre-construction meetings to begin the transmission line construction as soon as possible with an expected completion in November/December of 2026.

ATTACHMENTS

1. Intent to Award Notice
2. Submitted Bid Summary – All bidders
3. Project Contract – Draft (as included in bid packet)
4. Project Bid Set - <https://www.coburgoregon.gov/media/14661>