

August 27, 2026

Randy Myrum
City of Columbus
105 N. Dickason Boulevard
Columbus, WI, 53925

RE: 2026 Slurry Sealing Program

Dear Mr. Myrum:

Bids for the above project were opened on August 27, 2026, at 11:00 A.M., online on Quest CDN and were as follows:

	BIDDER	BASE BID	MANDATORY ALTERNATE	BASE BID + MANDATORY ALTERNATE
1.	<u>Struck & Irwin Paving, Inc.</u>	<u>\$54,125.85</u>	<u>\$17,355.75</u>	<u>\$71,481.60</u>
2.	<u>Fahrner Asphalt Sealers, LLC</u>	<u>\$54,164.00</u>	<u>\$17,291.00</u>	<u>\$71,455.00</u>

We reviewed the documentation submitted by the apparent low bidder and found that:

1. The Bid Form has been appropriately completed.
2. We have no objections to Struck & Irwin for the base bid and mandatory alternate.
3. Fahrner's bid was submitted for work in 2027 and subsequently removed from contention.

On these basis, we recommend that Struck & Irwin Paving, Inc. be awarded the 2026 Slurry Sealing Program contract, in the amount of \$71,481.60 for the Base Bid and the Mandatory Alternate total.

Our review did not include an evaluation of bidder's current financial condition nor of their permanent safety program.

Should you decide to accept our recommendation, we have prepared the enclosed Notice of Award for your use. After City Council approval has been received, please have the appropriate official sign where indicated and forward a signed copy of the Notice of Award to our office. We will then fill in the date at the top of page one and forward it, with contracts for execution, to the Contractor. One fully completed Notice of Award will be returned to you for your records.

Respectfully,

RUEKERT & MIELKE, INC.

 Digitally signed by Samantha E. Boman
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Encl: Notice of Award
Bid Tabulation

COST COMPARISON OF BIDDERS

OWNER: City of Columbus
PROJECT: 2026 Slurry Sealing Program
BID OPENING DATE: August 27, 2026

BASE BID				Struck & Irwin Paving, Inc.		Fahrner Asphalt Sealers, LLC	
ITEM #	ITEM DESCRIPTION	UNIT	QTY.	UNIT \$	TOTAL	UNIT \$	TOTAL
1	Emulsified Asphalt Slurry Seal Brevity Lane (Dix Street to Termini)	LS	1	\$7,533.60	\$7,533.60	\$7,535.00	\$7,535.00
2	Emulsified Asphalt Slurry Seal Chapin Street (Dix Street to Termini)	LS	1	\$7,533.60	\$7,533.60	\$7,347.00	\$7,347.00
3	Emulsified Asphalt Slurry Seal Nina Drive (Sturges Street to Termini)	LS	1	\$1,781.20	\$1,781.20	\$5,891.00	\$5,891.00
4	Emulsified Asphalt Slurry Seal (Sunset Road (Dix Street to Termini)	LS	1	\$7,621.20	\$7,621.20	\$7,745.00	\$7,745.00
5	Emulsified Asphalt Slurry Seal Siesta Court (Sturges Street to Termini)	LS	1	\$2,011.15	\$2,011.15	\$1,989.00	\$1,989.00
6	Emulsified Asphalt Slurry Seal Nina W (Sturges Street to Termini)	LS	1	\$6,226.90	\$6,226.90	\$1,979.00	\$1,979.00
7	Emulsified Asphalt Slurry Seal Sturges Street (Dix Street to Termini)	LS	1	\$21,418.20	\$21,418.20	\$21,678.00	\$21,678.00
Base Bid TOTAL					\$54,125.85		\$54,164.00
MANDATORY ALTERNATE A							
A1	Emulsified Asphalt Slurry Seal W Avalon Road (Western Ave to Termini)	LS	1	\$9,993.70	\$9,993.70	\$8,946.00	\$8,946.00
A2	Emulsified Asphalt Slurry Seal Red Bud Trail (W Avalon Road to Western Ave)	LS	1	\$7,362.05	\$7,362.05	\$8,345.00	\$8,345.00
Mandatory Alternate A TOTAL					\$17,355.75		\$17,291.00
Base Bid + Mandatory Alterante A TOTAL					\$71,481.60		\$71,455.00