Agenda Memo



Crest Hill, IL

Meeting Date: February 27, 2023

Submitter: Jim Marino, City Administrator

Don Seeman, Building Commissioner

Department: Administration

Agenda Item: City Center Testing and Inspection Services

Summary: Seeco Construction Services, Inc. was contracted to perform testing and inspection services during the initial construction of the city center building in July 2020. These services included testing and inspections for concrete, masonry, asphalt, earthwork compaction, and structural steel. Tests and inspections were performed for the footing soil compaction in most, but not all areas. Similarly, tests and inspections of the concrete and rebar were performed only for portions of the footings. For unknown reasons Seeco was not contacted to conduct testing and inspections for the concrete walls and floor, and the other construction work listed in their proposal.

Because all the tests and inspections were not performed during construction, tests and inspections of the completed work should be conducted, to the extent possible, to make sure the construction was performed correctly.

In addition to Seeco being contracted to conduct testing and inspections during the building construction they were engaged to perform soil and concrete testing services last year when the memorial garden and concrete pads were installed. Seeco is a well-established company used by many municipalities to conduct asphalt and concrete testing during road construction projects. We have utilized their services for this purpose.

Don Seeman obtained a proposal from Seeco to conduct testing and inspections of the completed building construction. As indicated in the attached proposal, Seeco will prepare a report detailing their findings, including any found non-compliant areas and recommended remedial measures if so required.

The cost for this work should not be considered an additional cost because we would have incurred a similar cost if the work was performed by Seeco as originally intended. The original contract was to be billed on a time a materials basis, thus a total amount for their services was not known at that time.

Recommended Council Action: Approve a contract with Seeco Construction Services at the March 6 council meeting.

Financial Impact:

Funding Source: General Fund Balance

Budgeted Amount: Original City Center Budget Amount

Cost: \$9,660.00

Attachments: Current Seeco proposal, 2020 Seeco proposal, 2020 Seeco inspection reports