



**To:** Mark Siefert, Public Works Director  
**From:** Ronald J Wiedeman, City Engineer  
**Date:** July 22, 2022  
**Re:** West Treatment Plant Bids

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I have reviewed the bids and found that these bids do reflect the market as it exists today and rebidding the same set of plans without eliminating or changing the scope of work would not result in lower bids.

With a difference of approximately 3% between the lower bidder and the highest bidder it shows me that the bid documents were clear for the manner of work being requested.

Some of the items that are driving up the prices are as follows:

- Contractors having to hold their prices for 145 days due to getting IEPA concurrence of award.
- Current and future inflationary factors over the 3–4-year construction period.
- City request for certain manufacturers and products.

Therefore, if the funding is available to construct the project as bid, the city should move forward with the project and not seek to rebid.

Should there be any questions on this matter, please feel free to call or email me at your convenience.

Very Truly Yours,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Ronald J. Wiedeman", written in a cursive style.