



City of Eustis

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TO: EUSTIS CITY COMMISSION

FROM: TOM CARRINO, CITY MANAGER

DATE: AUGUST 3, 2023

RE: RESOLUTION NUMBER 23-55: AWARD OF BID NUMBER 009-23 AND APPROVING A PURCHASE IN EXCESS OF \$50,000 FOR THE MCDONALD AVENUE GRAVITY SEWER MAIN PROJECT

Introduction:

Resolution Number 23-55 authorizes the award of Bid Number 009-23 to Bulldog Sitework LLC, Lady Lake, Florida with a base bid of \$226,007.91 for the McDonald Avenue Gravity Sewer Main Project and authorizes the City Manager to execute all agreements with Bulldog Sitework to complete this project.

Background:

There is a gravity sewer main near McDonald Avenue that has been an ongoing maintenance issue. This gravity sewer main is not properly pitched and has therefore had repeated issues with grease build-up. The main is also located in an area where there is a possibility for future development. This project will re-route the sewer main so it will not interfere with possible future developments and will correct the pitch to prevent future maintenance issues.

The contractor will supply all labor, materials, equipment, supplies and incidentals necessary to complete the installation and restoration per the approved construction plans, City of Eustis specifications and Florida Department of Transportation (FDOT) specifications to include the following:

- Installing a new manhole and eight-inch gravity sewer main
- Restoring the project site
- Maintaining sewer flow for the existing connections
- Core boring the existing manhole at SR19/Bay St and McDonald Ave in FDOT traffic lane
- Compaction testing and restoring of City of Eustis and FDOT roadways and rights-of-way, per City of Eustis and FDOT specifications
- Dewatering
- Maintenance of traffic and pedestrians
- Repairing driveways that are open cut, per City of Eustis specifications
- Air testing and lamp testing of new sewer main
- Mandrel testing and televising of the new main
- Providing all labor and material for capping of the old sewer main
- As-Built drawing will include separations between the sewer main and other utilities
- Submittal of shop drawings

Three bids were received by licensed underground utility & excavation contractors during the July 19, 2023 bid opening for the project. The total base bids from the three contractors ranged from a low of \$226,007.91 to a high of \$569,530.38. City staff is confident that they received competitive pricing and reasonable bids. Bulldog Sitework LLC submitted the lowest total base bid of \$226,007.91. In reviewing Bulldog Sitework's bid package, no deficiencies were noted.

Recommended Action:

Staff recommends approval of Resolution Number 23-55.

Policy Implications:

Not applicable.

Alternatives:

1. Approve Resolution Number 23-55
2. Deny Resolution Number 23-55

Discussion of Alternatives:

1. Alternative 1 approves the Resolution.

Advantages:

- Eliminate maintenance issues with the gravity sewer main.
- Gravity sewer main will not conflict with possible future development in the area.

Disadvantages:

- Fiscal impact of the project.

2. Alternative 2 denies the Resolution.

Advantages:

- The City would not expend \$226,007.91.

Disadvantages:

- Continued maintenance issues with the gravity sewer main.
- Gravity sewer main may conflict with possible future development in the area.

Budget/Staff Impact:

The funds for this project were included in the approved Capital Improvement Budget in account number 042-8600-533-66-81.

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Attachment(s):

Resolution Number 23-55

Available Upon Request

Bids from Bid #009-23