



TO: Matt Wegwerth, City Engineer & Public Works Director  
City of Grand Rapids, Minnesota

FROM: Lindsay Reidt, PE

DATE: April 18, 2023

RE: Construction Contract Award Recommendation  
SEH No. GRAIT 171290

**PROJECT SCOPE:**

The 2023 project for the Grand Rapids-Itasca County Airport includes reconstruction of the taxilane pavements. The taxilanes will be reconstructed full depth and full width in the north end of the building area. A bid alternate was also included for an extension to one taxilane in the north building area.

**BID RESULTS – 2023 Reconstruction:**

At 2:00 p.m. on Tuesday, April 18, 2023, two bids were received for the above-referenced project. The bids ranged from a low of \$496,216.55 to a high of \$542,886.15. The low bid received was submitted by TNT Construction Group, LLC, of Grand Rapids, MN in the amount of \$496,216.55.

<b>Contractor</b>	<b>Base Bid</b>	<b>Alternate 1</b>	<b>Total Bid</b>
TNT Construction Group, LLC	\$ 402,800.00	\$ 93,416.55	\$ 496,216.55
Hawkinson Construction Co., Inc	\$ 431,613.35	\$ 111,272.80	\$ 542,886.15

**SEH RECOMMENDATION:**

Based on the outcome of the bids and the company reputation, it is our recommendation that the City of Grand Rapids award the 2023 North Taxilane Reconstruction project to TNT Construction Group, LLC, contingent on reception of the FAA and MnDOT Aeronautics grant. Award is recommended for the base bid and alternate.

In reliance on our experience with TNT Construction Group, LLC and/or materials and information provided by the contractor, we have determined that 1) they have a sufficient understanding of the project and equipment to perform the construction for which it bid; and 2) according to their bonding agent they presently have the financial ability to complete the project bid. SEH makes no representation or warranty as to the actual financial viability of the contractor or its ability to complete its work.

**PROJECT COST SUMMARY:**

The following table summarizes the costs of the components for this year’s federal AIG and state grant:

Project	Project Component	Estimated Total Cost	Federal Eligibility (Estimated)	Funding Split*		
				FAA	State	Local
2023 North Taxilane Reconstruction	Taxilane Reconstruction (TNT Const.)	\$ 402,800.00	70%	\$ 253,764.00	\$ 84,588.00	\$ 64,448.00
	Alternate 1 - Taxilane Extension (TNT Const.)	\$ 93,416.55	100%	\$ 84,074.90	\$ -	\$ 9,341.66
(AIG/BIL Funding)	Final Design (Eligible)	\$ 30,300.00	100%	\$ 27,270.00	\$ -	\$ 3,030.00
	Final Design (Ineligible)	\$ 9,800.00	0%	\$ -	\$ 6,860.00	\$ 2,940.00
	Estimated Construction Admin. (Eligible)	\$ 50,100.00	100%	\$ 45,090.00	\$ -	\$ 5,010.00
	Estimated Construction Admin. (Ineligible)	\$ 6,700.00	0%	\$ -	\$ 4,690.00	\$ 2,010.00
	Administration (estimated)	\$ 5,000.00	100%	\$ 4,500.00	\$ -	\$ 500.00
				\$ 414,698.90	\$ 96,138.00	\$ 87,279.66

\*If 100% federally eligible, then funding split is 90% FAA, 10% local.

If percent eligible is other than 100%, that portion is eligible at the rates above and the remainder is eligible at 70% State and 30% local.

The total project cost is \$598,116.55. The eligible portions of the project are anticipated to be funded by a 90 percent FAA grant and a 10 percent local match.

Portions of the project work that are not eligible for federal funding would be funded with a MnDOT grant at 70 percent, with 30 percent of the costs covered locally. Since the final FAA and MnDOT eligibility determination is made once the grant application is submitted, there may be some changes in the final local share.