

Town of Johnstown

TOWN COUNCIL AGENDA COMMUNICATIONS

AGENDA DATE: May 17, 2021

SUBJECT: CDOT State Highway 60 Waterline Replacement Project

ACTION PROPOSED: Approve Staff to Award Contractor

ATTACHEMENTS: 1. Bid Results

2. General Project Vicinity Map

PRESENTED BY: Marco Carani, Director of Public Works

AGENDA ITEM DESCRIPTION:

Enclosed for your review and consideration is a request to award the construction contract for the CDOT State Highway 60 Waterline Replacement Project based on the Town's purchasing policy. The project scope involves the installation of approximately 2080 feet of 12" waterline, 1070 feet of 8" waterline to loop the Towns distribution system and 4 service transfers from the Little Thompson Water District.

The original scope of work for CDOT at the I-25 and State Highway 60 interchange required the replacement and upsizing of an existing 2" Little Thompson Water District water line with a new 6" water line. CDOT approached the Town to discuss entering into similar agreement to the previous I-25 Frontage Road 12" Water Line Project by transferring customers on the east side of I-25 to Johnstown. After discussion with all parties and in an effort to control the overall project costs, an agreement was put in place to transfer the four customers to the Town by installing a new 4" water line along the south side of State Highway 60 and installing an 8" water line to loop the Town's distribution system on the north side of State Highway 60 in order to provide an adequate level of service to the new customers. CDOT hired Jacob's Engineering to design the project and as part of the design efforts the Town requested the 4" water line be upsized to a 12" water line to accommodate future growth with the Town paying the difference in pipe size cost. For the Town upsizing cost, funds were appropriated in the approval of the FY 2021 budget and the funds available are sufficient to meet this portion of the project scope.

At the end of April 2021, the Town posted the project on Rocky Mountain E-Purchasing System to solicit bids from qualified Contractors for construction after initially reaching out to 5 local contractors and receiving limited interest. Bids were received by 2 pm on Friday May 7, 2020.

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The Town received six submittals:

Contractor	Total Bid Cost	Town Upsizing Cost
Stone and Concrete	\$471,793.00	\$68,640.00
Gopher Excavation Inc.	\$595,717.00	\$47,510.00
DeFalco Construction Co.	\$631,265.00	\$15,000.00
Colorado Civil Infrastructure, Inc.	\$665,215.00	\$58,500.00
Elevated Excavating, Inc.	\$725,647.00	\$72,050.00
All Star Environmental Services Inc.	\$770,285.50	\$31,200.00

The bids were reviewed independently by Johnstown Public Works, Jacobs Engineering, Muller Engineering Company and CDOT. The apparent low bidder, Stone and Concrete, provided references for jobs that consisted of individual site construction versus municipal infrastructure construction and did not have projects with CDOT experience or comparable scope and cost. The second low bidder, Gopher Excavation Inc., provided references for projects with CDOT experience as well as comparable scope and cost however past experience with the Contractor resulted in exceeding the Contract Time significantly. The third low bidder, DeFalco Construction Co., provided references for projects with CDOT experience as well as comparable scope and cost and committed to signing the Contract within 48 hours of issuing the Notice of Award in order to expedite and complete the Construction Schedule required by CDOT. The fourth, fifth and sixth lowest bidders did not provide references for comparison.

Staff is recommending awarding the CDOT State Highway 60 Waterline Replacement Project to third lowest bidder, DeFalco Construction Co., based on the information provided and past experience with the other Bid Contractors. The Town appropriated \$425,000 in the 2021 budget based on initial cost estimates for the project. Staff is requesting a budget amendment in the amount of \$206,265.00 for a total project cost not to exceed \$631,265.00. Funds were approved for this project based on a revenue in, expenditure out basis due to the cost reimbursement component from CDOT. With the anticipated reimbursement, this additional expenditure will have a net-zero ending fund balance change within the Water Fund for FY 2021.

LEGAL ADVICE:

Contract is in the review process due to expedited timeline for award.

FINANCIAL ADVICE:

A budget amendment and appropriation will be necessary in the amount of \$206,265.00 for a total project not to exceed \$631,265.00. CDOT will reimburse the Total Bid Cost minus the Bid Alternate for a final amount of \$616,265.00 and the Town paying for the Town Upsizing Cost (Bid Alternative – \$15,000).

RECOMMENDED ACTION: Staff recommends awarding the construction contract for the CDOT State Highway 60 Waterline Replacement Project to DeFalco Construction Co. for a total amount not to exceed \$631,265.00.

SUGGESTED MOTIONS:

For Approval: I move that Council awards the construction contract for the CDOT State Highway 60 Waterline Replacement Project to DeFalco Construction Co. as presented for a total amount not to exceed \$631,265.00.

<u>For Denial:</u> I move that Council denies awarding of the construction contract and direct Staff to pursue alternative methods.

Reviewed and Approved for Presentation,

Town Manager