

MEMORANDUM

DATE: March 31, 2023
TO: Melissa R. Marsh, City Manager
FROM: Sean P. Ballantine, Deputy Director of Public Services
SUBJECT: Bid Award – 2023 Sidewalk and Water Restoration Contractor

Due to the ongoing increases in the price of concrete, materials, and labor, it became necessary to bid out the concrete contractor for the sidewalk replacement program. This contractor also performs incidental concrete repairs and landscape restoration related to water and sewer work. Invitation To Bid (ITB) #1065 was prepared by Nowak and Fraus, the City's consulting engineers, and reviewed by DPS staff and Purchasing Coordinator Amy Mischak. Bid quantities were established using a three year average of actual work performed in the City. Four sealed bids were received at City Hall by the deadline, all of which met the City's qualifications. Upon review, and as identified in the attached recommendation letter from Nowak and Fraus, the low bid was submitted by Italia Construction, Inc., of Washington Township, Michigan.

Italia has been performing these services for Madison Heights for many years. They are familiar with the community and the work to be performed, and have provided an excellent working relationship and finished product. The pricing received is favorable given the current market conditions, and is significantly lower than the engineers estimate for the bid. We would also note that as with the recently approved road construction projects, this bid award does not automatically commit the City to any work in the upcoming 2023-24 fiscal year. Work would not be authorized to start until funding was made available through the normal Budget process.

Based on these facts, Staff concurs with the recommendation of our City Engineer, and recommends that City Council award the bid for the 2023 Sidewalk and Water Restoration Contractor to the lowest responsible bidder, Italia Construction, Inc., of Washington Township, Michigan, at the unit prices specified, with the option to extend for two years as allowed for in the bid. Funding is budgeted for this work in the upcoming fiscal year.

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