## **MEMORANDUM**

DATE: March 18, 2024

TO: Melissa R. Marsh, City Manager

FROM: Sean P. Ballantine, Director of Public Services

SUBJECT: Bid Award - 2024 R-3 Residential Road Projects

The 2023 R-3 road construction projects consisted of modified sectional replacements, which generally involve the removal and replacement of concrete pavement, with limited modifications to the road bed outside of normal preparation. These projects were identified as candidates for the modified sectional approach based on ground and subgrade conditions. The 2024 projects, however, are full reconstructs, requiring significant excavation and improvement to the subgrade, as well as drainage improvements, as the areas identified have wetter, poor-draining soils. Because of this, the successful bidder for the 2023 projects, DiLisio Contracting, was unable to offer a contract extension due to a variety of distinct and missing pay items between the two construction approaches.

Bid number MH-1069 was issued, and 6 sealed bids were received at the City Clerk's office by the deadline of March 13. Upon review, and as identified in the attached recommendation letter and bid tabulation from Nowak and Fraus, our Consulting City Engineers, DiLisio Contracting, of Clinton Township was the low bidder.

DiLisio is an experienced long-time contractor of the City of Madison Heights for this program, and similar projects for other area municipalities. As with the Major and Local Sectional contract extension approved at the last Council meeting, Staff would note that this bid award will not automatically commit the City to any projects in the upcoming 2024-25 fiscal year. Projects would not be authorized to start until funding was made available through the normal Budget process. These projects, assuming approval, would then be constructed by DiLisio under this contract.

Staff concurs with the recommendation of our City Engineer, and recommends that City Council award the bid for the 2024 R-3 Residential Road Projects to the lowest responsible bidder, DiLisio Contracting, Inc., of Clinton Township, in the total project amount of \$1,433,010.25. Funding is programmed in the 2024-25 Budget.

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