MEMORANDUM

DATE: February 7, 2023

TO: Melissa R. Marsh, City Manager

FROM: Sean P. Ballantine, Public Works Supervisor

Chris Woodward, Utilities Supervisor

R. Corey Almas, Director of Public Services

SUBJECT: Bid Award - 2023 Water Main Replacement Pipe and Parts

In anticipation of the upcoming 2023 proposed water main replacement projects, DPS Staff and Purchasing prepared and posted Invitation to Bid (ITB) #MH-1064 "2023 Water Main Replacement Pipe and Parts" on the MITN online cooperative bidding system (www.mitn.info). On February 6, 2023, the City received three sealed bids for the above referenced project by the 11:00 am deadline. The bids were opened and tabulated, and at the completion of the bid analysis, including verification of pricing, product bid, and unit pricing for all items, Core & Main submitted the lowest complete qualifying bid for a total estimated project amount of \$266,272.54 (please see the attached bid tab).

Core & Main, is our current supplier of water main repair parts, and have also been the low bid for many of our water main replacement projects over the years. DPS continues to have a positive long-standing business relationship with Core & Main, who have consistently provided responsive service, and offer a vast portfolio of high quality parts and materials. As with past bids, it remains in the City's best interest to award a project bid to a sole bidder as opposed to splitting the bid, in order to streamline the ordering and inventory management process, and ensure timely project completion.

Staff recommends that Council award the bid for the 2023 water main replacement pipe and parts to the lowest responsible bidder who bid on all items listed, Core & Main, of Shelby Township, Michigan, for the unit prices specified. This represents a total estimated project cost of \$266,272.54, and funds are budgeted and available for this purchase. Staff also requests that the Council motion include extending this bid to the upcoming proposed stand-alone water main projects at the unit prices identified, subject to FY 2023-24 Budget approval.

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