CITY OF RICHLAND CENTER - AGENDA ITEM DATA SHEET

Agenda Item: Award 2025 Street Overlay Project
Requested & Presented by: Jasen Glasbrenner

Meeting Date: Public Works Committee on 06-19-2025

Committee Review:

Background: As part of the City's 2025 Street Overlay Project, the Public Works Department issued a formal request for bids to resurface approximately 14 blocks of city streets. We requested bids for both blacktop overlay and chip seal in order to consider different types of road maintenance processes and price points. The request was publicly advertised in the Richland Observer on May 22 and May 29, 2025.

Four bids were obtained for the service; to provide a consistent comparison, bid evaluations were based on price per square yard of asphalt or chip seal surfacing:

Vendor	Scope	Bid
D.L. Gasser Construction	1,500 Tons – 5LT Hot Mix Asphalt Overlay (1.5" Avg.)	\$7.17/sq yd
Scott Construction (Bid #1)	1,500 Tons – 5LT Hot Mix Asphalt Overlay (1.5" Avg.)	\$6.13/sq yd
Fahrner Asphalt Sealers	Chip Seal (Various options by Street); Using 3/8" Granite Chips	Single Seal: \$2.56/sq yd
		Double Seal: \$5.05/sq yd
Scott Construction (Bid #2)	Chip Seal (Various options by Street); Using 3/8" Granite Chips	Single Seal: \$3.14/sq yd
		Double Seal: \$5.54/sq yd

Department Recommendation: After considering the overall condition of the roads to be maintained, chip sealing has emerged as the most effective solution for our road maintenance process. Overlays can create problems by adding height to the blacktop surface which alters storm water flow and can exacerbate issues with old curblines. Additionally, on unstable roadbeds, overlays do not last as long, making this choice even more expensive because of usable life. These factors, coupled with pricing, make chip seal a better choice (17 to 58% cheaper). All bids were evaluated for completeness, scope of work, and alignment with project specifications. After review, the department recommends awarding the 2025 Street Overlay Project to Fahrner Asphalt Sealers as the lowest responsible bidder for chip sealing. Their pricing offers the most cost-effective solution, with competitive unit rates ranging from \$2.56 to \$5.05 per square yard depending on seal type.

Financial Impact: 2025 Budgeted Line Item - Expenditure of up to \$105,000

Funding Source: 10-54200-560 - ROADWAYS/CONTRACTED WORK

Requested Action:

PUBLIC WORKS: Motion to recommend that the Finance Committee and City Council approve awarding the 2025 Street Overlay Project, using Chip Seal, to Fahrner Asphalt Sealers at a cost of \$2.56/sq yd for Single Seal and \$5.05/sq yd for Double Seal with the expenditure amount not to exceed \$105,000.

FINANCE: Motion to recommend that the City Council approve awarding the 2025 Street Overlay Project, using chip seal, to Fahrner Asphalt Sealers at a cost of \$2.56/sq yd for Single Seal and \$5.05/sq yd for Double Seal with the expenditure amount not to exceed \$105,000.

COUNCIL: Motion to award the 2025 Street Overlay Project, using chip seal, to Fahrner Asphalt Sealers at a cost of \$2.56/sq yd for Single Seal and \$5.05/sq yd for Double Seal with the expenditure amount not to exceed \$105,000.

Attachment(s):

2025 Street Overlay Project Bid Request Press Release 2025 Street Overlay Project Supplemental Info D.L. Gasser Overlay Bid Scott Overlay Bid Fahrner Overlay Bid Scott Overlay Bid 2