

**ROCHELLE CITY COUNCIL
AGENDA ITEM MEMO
REGULAR MEETING**

SUBJECT: Ordinance Accepting the bid from JF Electric for the Power Plant Feeder Exits Contract

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Summary: The city received competitive bids for constructing the Power Plant Feeder Exit Upgrades project on July 9, 2024 at 2 p.m. A total of two (2) bids were collected and received on time. A summary of bids is shown below:

Contractor	Base Price	Clarifications
JF Electric	\$1,310,465.52	Yes
Tri-City Electric Co.	\$1,595,625.00	Yes

The bid from JF Electric was the apparent low bid for Specification 3202K001 which included some clarifications and exceptions, but none of which should impact it being the low bid. It is important to note that JF Electric's bid was originally \$1,259,149.52, but that did not include any of the transformer pricing. On July 17, 2024, they followed up with the transformer pricing at \$51,316 which brings the total base bid to the amount in the table above. JF Electric has a good list of reference completed projects, and the company appears to be in good standing and employs certified and trained craftsmen.

The JF Electric bid is higher than the engineers estimate for the project of \$955,000 completed on 06/29/23; however, this did not include the addition of the single-phase primary run back across the railroad track. Assuming Rochelle Municipal Utilities will still view this project a priority even with the bid price higher than expected, BHMG recommends awarding the contract to JF Electric for the installation with it being the low bid.

Funding Sources:

Source:	Budgeted Amount:	Proposed Expenditure:
Bond Proceeds	\$11,500,000	\$1,310,465

Strategic Plan Goal Application: Infrastructure Effectiveness and Improvement

Recommendation: Approve Ordinance Accepting the bid from JF Electric for the Power Plant Feeder Exits Contract