



MEMORANDUM

TO: Richard McNabb, Mayor
City Council Members

FROM: Stevie Cox, City Manager

VIA: Clark Maness, WithersRavenel Senior Project Manager
Rodney Johnson, Public Services Director
Crystal Postell, Finance Director

DATE: August 19, 2024

REF: Resolution of Tentative Award for Wastewater Regionalization Project

Summary:

This is a request for tentative award approval for the Wastewater Regionalization Project.

Background:

In June 2024, the City Staff and WithersRavenel moved forward with preparing and submitting the Request for Proposal of Wastewater Regionalization Project. This project is to upgrade Steeplegate Lift Station and lay eight miles of force main sewer lines to the Eastside Wastewater Treatment Plant. On July 25, 2024, a Pre-Bid Conference was held for all contractors and vendors who were going to submit a bid for this project. There were eight construction firms and two vendors who participated in the pre-bid conference in person and virtually.

On August 15, 2024, all contractors who were going to bid for this project had to submit their sealed bids to by 2 PM. Immediately after the bid submission deadline, a formal sealed bid opening conference was held. Four (4) bid packages were received. Listed below is the names and formal bids that were submitted for this project:

Bidder	Base Bid
BRS, Inc.	\$11,459,777
Classic City Mechanical, Inc.	\$11,218,105
State Utility Contractors, Inc.	\$15,961,465
Temple Grading and Construction Company	\$11,209,709

Following the Sealed Bid Opening Conference, WithersRavenel reviewed each bid package in detail for compliance with North Carolina General Statutes (NCGS) and requirement set by the funding agency (North Carolina Division of Water Infrastructure – NCDWI). After a detailed review of the bids, Classical City Mechanical, Inc. was deemed as not being a responsible bidder, because they failed to comply with NCSG requirements to conduct proper Minority Women Business Enterprise (MWBE) outreach or conduct other solicitation for any other trades needed from subcontractors. Furthermore, it was deemed that Temple Grading and Construction Company was the most responsible and lowest bidder with a bid of \$11,209,709.

Recommendation:

Staff is requesting that the City Council recommend awarding the project to the lowest, responsive, and responsible bidder, Temple Grading and Construction Company, pending review and approval by NCDWI. WithersRavenel also recommends retaining and using the SRP-W-0196 loan to cover construction and/or engineering contingency costs. The City will need to consult directly with the Local Government Commission to ensure the City is approved to secure the loan from NCDWI.

Attachment:

WitherRavenel Bid Evaluation and Recommendation Award Letter – August 19, 2024
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Bid Tabulation Form
Trinity Project Bid Information Form