



AGENDA REQUEST

TO: Mayor and City Council
FROM: Kelly Knight – Public Works Director
DATE: February 26, 2026
SUBJECT: IN THE MATTER OF BID REJECTION APPROVAL CURB AND GUTTER/FLATWORK ANNUAL BID 2026-007PW - **KWK**

Request:

We are requesting the approval to reject the Curb and Gutter/Flatwork Annual Bid 2026-007PW per recommendation from Legal.

Stephen Reed reviewed the two bids received for the term contract and advised that neither can be accepted.

Mr. Reed's Reasons are as follows –

- (1) Hodges included in their submission two bid forms with different prices included on each form. The actual value of their bid cannot be ascertained, and their bid is therefore improper and must be rejected.
- (2) Slayton submitted the apparent low bid. Because Slayton does not possess a contractor's license, she may only perform projects the dollar value of which does not exceed \$50,000. This does not preclude contractors without a contractor's license from bidding on term contracts, but in the event that they do submit a bid for public construction projects, their bid shall not exceed \$50,000, and in lieu of providing a certificate of responsibility number, they must include on the exterior of the sealed envelope a statement that their bid does not exceed \$50,000. A statement of this nature was not included on the exterior of the sealed envelope submitted by Slayton. Pursuant to Miss. Code Ann. 31-3-21, this precludes us from entering into a contract with Slayton.

Mr. Reed's Recommendation –

I recommend rejecting these bids due to the failure of each bidder to comply with statutory bidding requirements.