



NOTICE OF AWARD

DATE: August 5, 2022

BID: ITB 22-009

PROJECT NAME: KFC Force Main Extension

CONTRACTOR: Go Underground Utilities LLC

The City of Sebring hereby awards ITB 22-009, KFC Force Main Extension project to GO UNDERGROUND UTILITIES, LLC. The City utilized the Local Preference policy to award this bid. The project was awarded at an amount of \$260,000.00.

This award was approved by the City Council on August 2, 2022 (see attached).

If not already provided, please 1) submit your certificate of insurance with coverage amounts described in the ITB documents, endorsement listing the City of Sebring as additional insured for all coverages except worker's compensation, 2) complete the vendor application online at vendorregistry.com within the next (10) ten days or prior to beginning work, whichever comes first, and 3) submit the signed contract within ten (10) days of receipt.

Any questions regarding this notice of award can be directed to the Purchasing Agent.

Jamee Cook
City of Sebring, Purchasing Agent
368 South Commerce Avenue; Sebring, Florida 33870
Phone: 863-471-5110
Purchasing@mysebring.com

CITY OF SEBRING

AGENDA ITEM SUMMARY

MEETING DATE: August 2, 2022

PRESENTER: Boggus

AGENDA ITEM#: 8 E - Bid acceptance #22-009 to construct a new Sanitary Sewer Force Main (KFC - US 27 N) and Budget Resolution No. 2022-14 and Budget Amendment #187

BACKGROUND: This sanitary sewer (force main) expansion project will provide service to the commercial properties along the east side of the US 27 corridor. These properties were annexed by the City on December 1, 2020. There is now a need to construct this force main in order to provide sewer service to existing business and new proposed commercial business within this section of the US 27 corridor. This section ranges from the existing Kentucky Fried Chicken and south to the commercial complex just north of Heartland National Bank.

Staff posted an Invitation to Bid (ITB) #22-009 on June 22, 2022. On July 19, 2022 all submitted seal bids were opened. Staff has recorded the bid amounts on a Tabulation Sheet. The low bid in the amount of \$260,000.00 was received from Eastern Pipeline Construction Inc. However, the City's purchasing policy provides a local preference. This allows local vendors whose bid amount is within 5% of the low bid to match the low bid. Go Underground Utilities, LLC bid amount is \$260,434.00. Because the Go Underground bid is within the allowed 5%, they were given the opportunity to match Eastern Pipeline's bid amount. Staff contacted Go Underground and they have agreed to match Eastern Pipeline's bid in the amount of \$260,000.00. Staff has also received a recommendation from Polston Engineering to accept the bid submitted from Go Underground Utilities, LLC. Their recommendation is based on previous performance and the City's local preference policy.

There are not sufficient funds available in the 2021/2022 budget to fully fund this sanitary sewer expansion project. Attached for Council's consideration is Budget Resolution No. 2022-14 and Budget Amendment #187 which transfers the needed funds for this project from the Utilities Department's Fund Balance brought forward.

Attachments:

- A. ITB #22-009 Notice of Staff Recommendation and Tabulation Sheet.
- B. Email exchange confirming Go Underground Utilities will accept the City's local preference offer.
- C. Polston Engineering, Inc. Bid Review and Recommendation Letter.
- D. Budget Resolution No. 2022-14
- E. Budget Amendment No. 187

For Council's consideration, Staff submits the following recommendations:

1. Accept Go Underground Utilities, LLC. Bid in the amount of \$260,000.00 to construct a new sanitary sewer force main from the KFC south to the commercial complex north of Heartland National Bank.
2. Approve Budget Resolution No. 2022-14
3. Approve Budget Amendment No. 187
4. Instruct the City's Attorney to prepare the necessary contract for the completion of this Project.

REQUESTED MOTION: Approve Staff's recommendations as presented

COUNCIL ACTION:

APPROVED Moved by: BISHOP ; Seconded by: STEWART
 DENIED Bishop y Carlisle A Mendel y Stewart y Dettman y
 TABLED TO: _____
 OTHER Absent



NOTICE OF STAFF RECOMMENDATION

DATE: July 26, 2022

BID: ITB 22-009

PROJECT NAME: KFC Force Main Extension

CONTRACTORS: Go Underground Utilities LLC

This notice is to inform all respondents to the above referenced solicitation of staff's intent to recommend that the Sebring City Council accept the submittal Go Underground Utilities LLC, utilizing our Local Preference Policy in accordance with the specifications of the above bid.

A final decision based on the best interest of the City of Sebring will be made by the City Council at the August 2, 2022 meeting.

Any person who is adversely affected by the agency decision or intended decision can file with the agency a notice of protest as directed in the City's Purchasing Policy within three (3) business days after the posting of the notice of staff recommendation.

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CITY OF SEBRING
ITB: 22-009 - KFC FORCE MAIN EXTENSION
TUESDAY, JULY 19, 2022
3:00 P.M.
Bid Tabulation

Rank	Vendor	
*1	Go Underground Utilities, LLC	\$260,434.00 \$260,000.00
2	Eastern Pipeline Construction Inc.	\$260,000.00
3	Excavation Point Inc.	\$269,675.00
4	Killebrew Inc.	\$422,920.00
5	Cascade Utilities	\$469,898.00

*Go Underground Utilities bid was 0.18% of the lowest bidders price and they have opted to take advantage of the local preference policy and match the lowest bidder's price of \$260,000.

*No results at time of bid opening.

Opened by: James Cook
Witnessed by: Kim Shands

These are unofficial results. All bids have to be approved by Sebring City Council.



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July 25, 2022

City of Sebring
Attention: Bob Boggus, Utilities Director
368 South Commerce Avenue
Sebring, FL 33870

Re: City of Sebring - KFC Force Main Extension, ITB#22-009

Dear Bob

The City of Sebring received five (5) bids for the City of Sebring - KFC Force Main Extension, ITB#22-009. We have reviewed the five (5) bids received for the project. Bids were submitted by Eastern Pipeline Construction Inc., Go Underground Utilities LLC, Excavation Point Inc., Killebrew Inc. and Cacique Utilities LLC. The apparent low bidder was Eastern Pipeline Construction, Inc. with a bid of \$260,000.00, two hundred sixty thousand dollars and no cents. To the best of my knowledge this bidder is qualified to do the work.

We did receive two (2) bids from companies that are within Highlands County and therefore meet the "Local Preference" parameters. These bids were submitted by Go Underground Utilities LLC and Excavation Point Inc. Go Underground Utilities LLC with a bid of \$260,434.00, two hundred sixty thousand four hundred thirty-four dollars and no cents. This bid is within $\pm 0.167\%$ of the lowest bid. Excavation Point Inc. with a bid of \$269,675.00, two hundred sixty-nine thousand six hundred seventy-five dollars and no cents. This bid is within $\pm 3.721\%$ of the lowest bid. Utilizing the 4% margin allowance for Purchases between \$250,000 and \$999,999.99 within the "Local Preference" portion of the bid documents, both local bidders fall within this category. To the best of my knowledge these bidders are qualified to do the work.

It is our recommendation that Go Underground Utilities LLC be notified in writing of the opportunity to match the lowest bid/quote of \$260,000.00, two hundred sixty thousand dollars and no cents. Go Underground Utilities LLC shall accept or reject matching the low bid within three (3) business days of notification. The notification shall be in writing and directed to the Purchasing Agent. If Go Underground Utilities LLC chooses to match the lowest bid and if the insurance and bond requirements are met, we recommend the project be awarded to the lowest local bidder Go Underground Utilities, LLC for \$260,000.00, two hundred sixty thousand dollars and no cents.

If Go Underground Utilities LLC chooses not to match the lowest bid, then we recommend that Excavation Point Inc. shall be granted the same opportunity to match the bid of \$260,000.00, two hundred sixty thousand dollars and no cents. Excavation

Point Inc. shall accept or reject matching the low bid within three (3) business days of notification. The notification shall be in writing and directed to the Purchasing Agent. If Excavation Point Inc. LLC chooses to match the lowest bid and if the insurance and bond requirements are met, we recommend the project be awarded to the next lowest local bidder Excavation Point Inc. for \$260,000.00, two hundred sixty thousand dollars and no cents.

If neither Go Underground Utilities LLC or Excavation Point Inc. accept matching the low bid of \$260,000.00, two hundred sixty thousand dollars and no cents, then it is our recommendation that if the insurance and bond requirements are met, that the project be awarded to the low bidder Eastern Pipeline Construction Inc. for \$260,000.00, two hundred sixty thousand dollars and no cents.

If you have any questions or need any additional information, please let me know.

Sincerely,



Roger Dale Polston, FL PE #33222
Polston Engineering, Inc. BPE CA #6684

