



NOTICE OF AWARD

DATE: July 9, 2020

BID: ITB 20-014

PROJECT NAME: City of Sebring CDBG - Maintenance, Repairs and Equipment Replacement/Upgrades to the Grand Avenue Lift Station. Sidewalk, Curb, Milling, Resurfacing Pavement and Drainage Improvements for portions of South Orange Street, Violet Avenue and Nasturtium Avenue

CONTRACTOR: Excavation Point, Inc.

This award was approved by the City Council on July 7, 2020 (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 and payment and performance bonds within the next twenty (20) days.

Bid bonds and bid guarantees received, if any, are released for all vendors other than the vendor being recommended for award.

Lisa Osha
City of Sebring, Purchasing Agent
368 South Commerce Avenue; Sebring, Florida 33870
Phone: 863-471-5110

CITY OF SEBRING

AGENDA ITEM SUMMARY

MEETING DATE: July 7, 2020

PRESENTER: Swaine/Osha

AGENDA ITEM#: 12 A - Acceptance of Bid for the CDBG Contract

BACKGROUND: The City was awarded a CDBG grant in the amount of \$750,000.00 for the FFY 2017 funding cycle. The City solicited for bids for the maintenance, repair, and equipment replacement/upgrades to the Grand Avenue Wastewater Lift Station, as well as sidewalk, curb, milling, resurfacing pavement and drainage improvements for portions of South Orange Street, Violet Avenue and Nasturtium Avenue. The results of the June 15th, 2020 bid opening are shown in **Attachment 1.**

Due to COVID-19, and the uncertainty of when offices would be reopened, the following language was included in the bid document:

“Due to the current health concerns with meeting and the required social distancing, all bids will only be accepted by U.S. Mail or courier service. **No hand delivered bids will be accepted.**” Similar language was also included in a separate portion of the bid document. Prior to the bid opening, City Hall was reopened to the public. Two bids were timely delivered to the Purchasing Department:

- 1) L. Cobb Construction \$804,752.31 via FedEx
- 2) Excavation Point, Inc. \$579,380.00 via hand delivery

The bid document further states that “The City reserves the right to accept or reject all or any part of any bid, waive informalities and award the contract to the lowest responsive and responsible bidder to best serve the interest of the City.” The concept of waiving minor irregularities is mentioned in several places of the bid document.

The recommendation of award letter from Polston Engineering is included as **Attachment 2.**

STAFF RECOMMENDATION: Staff recommends Council determine that the hand delivery was a minor bid irregularity or informality, waive that irregularity and, based on the bid prices and the engineer’s recommendation letter, staff recommends awarding the contract to Excavation Point as the lowest responsive and responsible bidder.

REQUESTED MOTION:

Determine that it is in the best interest of the City to: find that the hand delivery of the bid is a minor irregularity; waive it; accept the bid from Excavation Point, Inc. in the amount of \$579,380.00 as the lowest responsive and responsible bidder; and instruct the City Attorney to prepare the necessary contract.

COUNCIL ACTION:

APPROVED Moved by: Stewart ; Seconded by: Ivy
 DENIED Dettman y Ivy y Lowrance y Stewart y Carlisle y
 TABLED TO: _____ OTHER _____

ATTACHMENT 1



NEIGHBORHOOD REVITALIZATION OF S ORANGE ST, VIOLET AVE
GRAND AVE AND NASTURTIUM AVE AREAS

MONDAY JUNE 15, 2020 @ 3:00 P.M.

VENDOR	BIDS 1 ORIG / 4 COPIES	CHECKLIST INCLUDED	TOTAL COST	NO BID
L. Cobb Construction	✓, ✓	✓	804,752.31	
EXCAVATION POINT	✓, ✓	✓	579,300.00	
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BID OPENING RESULTS ONLY. TOTALS ARE ANNOUNCED BUT ARE NOT VERIFIED TO BE ACCURATE AND BID SUBMITTALS ARE NOT VERIFIED TO BE COMPLETE.
ALL BIDS MUST BE APPROVED BY SEBRING CITY COUNCIL BEFORE BECOMING OFFICIAL.

Opened by: Lisa Osha, Purchasing Agent

Witnessed by: Alex Palard

ATTACHMENT 2



LAND PLANNING
SITE DESIGN
SOIL SCIENCE
ROAD DESIGN
WATER SYSTEM DESIGN
WASTE WATER DESIGN

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June 24, 2020

Lisa Osha, Purchasing Agent
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Re: FLORIDA SMALL CITIES COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANT (CDBG)
CDBG CONTRACT #: 19DB-ON-07-38-02-N16
Maintenance, Repairs and Equipment Replacement/Upgrades to the Grand Avenue Lift Station.
Sidewalk, Curb, Milling, Resurfacing Pavement and Drainage Improvements for portions of South
Orange Street, Violet Avenue and Nasturtium Avenue

Dear Lisa,

We have reviewed the two bids received for the CDBG funded project recently opened on June 15, 2020. The two bidders were Cobb Site Development Inc. and Excavation Point Inc.

The primary areas of review were work history and pricing. Both contractors have adequate work history and as far as we know are in good standing with the City of Sebring. The review of the Itemized Bid sheet appeared to be complete and the totals were correct for each bidder. Licensing was also in order for both bidders.

RECOMMENDATION

After review of the two bids, the apparent low bidder was Excavation Point Inc. Their bid came in at \$579,380.00 before accounting for any optional deductions in price. This was approximately \$225,372.31 below the next bidder. Some of the large variance in price can attributed to unit cost differences. It is our recommendation at this time to award the bid to the apparent low bidder, Excavation Point Inc. They are in good standing with the City of Sebring and have a broad work history working for the City on a number of projects related to roads and utility work.

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

Sincerely,

Roger Dale Polston 6/24/2020

Roger Dale Polston, FL PE #33222
Polston Engineering, Inc. BPE CA #5684

