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NOTICE OF CRA STAFF RECOMMENDATION

DATE: April 17, 2019

BID: ITB 19-004

PROJECT NAME: SEBRING CRA REVITALIZATION
OF THE WEST CENTER STREET –
ROTARY PARK CORRIDOR

Based on the attached recommendation letter provided by Polston Engineering, the CRA staff is unable to recommend a lowest and responsive bidder.

Notice is also given that in accordance with Section 119.07(1) F.S., if the CRA Board rejects all bids and directs staff to re-bid, the submittals will remain an exempt record.

A final decision based on the best interest of the Sebring CRA will be made by the CRA Board at the on April 22, 2019 board meeting.

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April 17, 2019

Lisa Osha, Purchasing Agent
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Re: Revitalization of the West Center Street – Rotary Park Corridor Project
Bid Recommendation

Dear Lisa,

We have reviewed the twobids received for the Revitalization of the West Center Street – Rotary Park Corridor Project received April 2, 2019.

AREAS OF CONCERN

Upon review of both of the bidders' itemized pricing, it came to our attention that both bidders had itemized pricing that **did not** reflect price increases when going from "bids **excluding** optional addition to scope of work" to "bids **including** optional addition to scope of work" when there should have been an increase in price to complete the additional scope of work.

*It should be noted that the "lighting" category did not have an anticipated price increase and was not considered as a point of concern.

All About Lawns, Inc. had line items in the following categories that **did not** reflect price increases to complete the additional scope of work.

- Mobilization (Although we anticipated a slight increase for this category, it should be noted that "no increase" to this item is of minor concern)
- Demolition
- Landscape
- Irrigation

Edgewood Landscape and Nursery, Inc. had line items in the following categories that **did not** reflect price increases to complete the additional scope of work.

- Landscape
- Irrigation

Both bidders **did not** include “proof of relevant or required licenses” as required as part of the bid documents and specifications for one or more category, profession or trade that we believe to be necessary to both professionally and legally complete the scope of work.

- MOT Certification
- Certified Arborist
- Licensed Electrician
- Certified General or Building Contractor License
- Herbicide and Fertilization Application License
- Registered Nursery or Stock Dealer
- Licensed Irrigation Contractor

Both bidders **did not** include one or more items from “Section 5 – All Submittals Shall Include”, line item “2”.


- A brief description of the project
- Total bid price
- Contract time limit, including commencement and completion dates
- Final construction cost
- Time spent on the project

RECOMMENDATION

It appears that both bidders either missed or overlooked substantial portions of the scope of work and this was reflected in the failure to adjust line items on the official bid form. Both bidders also omitted one or more of what we believe to be relevant or required licenses necessary to complete the work. Finally, both bidders did not specifically provide all information requested with regard to projects of similar scope and size. Therefore, to assure that each line item of the project is properly priced, that all relevant and required licenses are provided and to have the ability to thoroughly review past projects, it is our opinion that both bids be rejected.

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

Sincerely,


Roger Dale Polston, FL PE #33222
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