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RE: Bid Analysis – SH 917 Landscape Enhancements CSJ# 1181-04-045 STP 1502 (105)

Dear Ifteghar,

This letter serves as the bid analysis for the referenced project. The advertising, bid opening and bid analysis processes are detailed below.

### **Advertising**

The City advertised this project in the Fort Worth Star Telegram on June 22nd and July 1st, 2015. The City provided copies of the advertisement to TxDOT.

#### <u>Addenda</u>

The City did not issue an addendum for this project.

## **Bid Opening and Tabulation**

Bids were opened on July 15, 2015 at 2:00 PM CDT and publicly read aloud in the Multi Purpose Room, 1200 East Broad Street., Mansfield, Texas 76063. There were three (3) bidders on the project:

- Cole Construction, Inc., Fort Worth, Texas
- C. GreenScaping, LP, Fort Worth, Texas
- Texas Environmental Management, SA, Inc., Justin, Texas

The bidders were all prequalified with TxDOT under the Confidential Questionnaire provided in the proposal.

Total Base Bids for each of the bidders and the Engineer's estimate are summarized in the chart below:

Engineer's Estimate	\$511.185
Cole Construction, Inc.	\$548,443.20
C. Green Scaping, LP	\$583,861.80
Texas Environmental Management, SA, Inc.	\$1,060,272.74

There were no Alternate Bids identified.

A bid tabulation was created (attached).

The Apparent Low Bidder is Cole Construction, Inc.. Total base bid amount per the proposal was \$548,443.20. The selected bidder based upon bid completeness is C Green Scaping Lp at \$583,861.80

Following is the justification for the corrected totals of the Bid Tab (attached) per the Invitation to Bidders:

### **BID/PROPOSAL ERRORS/AMBIGUITY**

Any ambiguity in the bid proposal as a result of omission, error, lack of clarity or non-compliance with specifications, instructions and all other conditions shall be construed in the favor of the City. Error in Quantity: BID PRICE MUST BE SUBMITTED ON UNITS OF QUANTITY SPECIFIED, EXTEND, AND TOTAL SHOWN, IN THE EVENT OF DISCREPANCIES IN EXTENSIONS, THE UNIT PRICE SHALL GOVERN.

#### **Bid Analysis**

The following bid analysis follows the recommendations outlined in TxDOT's Local Government Project Procedures Manual. The factors discussed include:

- Number of Bids
- Distribution or Range of bids
- Identity and Location of the Contractor
- Urgency of the Project
- Current Market Conditions and Workloads
- Justification for Significant Bid Price Differences
- Potential Savings if the Project is Re-advertised

### **Number of Bids**

There were three (3) bidders on the project. Based upon the current construction environment workload, the project scope and prequalification requirements, this is not unexpected.

### **Distribution or Range of Bids**

The Base Bids ranged from \$548,443.20 to \$1,060,272.74. The proposal submitted by Cole Construction, Inc. is less than 1% higher than the Engineer's estimate.

The Total Bid for the Selected Bidder is approximately 1 % higher than the Engineer's estimate.

## **Identity and Location of the Contractor**

C GreenScaping LP., is located at 2401 Handley Ederville Rd., Ft Worth, TX. 776118. Texas which is located approximately miles from the project.

### **Urgency of the Project**

This is a high-profile project that is highly anticipated by the City Council and other civic groups. The City would like to move forward as soon as possible.

#### **Current Market Conditions and Workloads**

Based upon the experience and knowledge of the engineer, the current market conditions and workload could have had an impact on the cost on the project.

### <u>Justification for Significant Bid Price Differences</u>

There were no significant cost differences between the two lowest bidders

# Potential Savings if the Project is Re-advertised

The Engineer does not feel that there would be any additional savings if the City were to re-advertise. The fact that the project came in 1% over the EOPC should be evidence of good value and reflect current market conditions.

# **Contract Award Recommendation**

The City recommends awarding the project to C Green Scaping, LP. 2401 Handley Ederville Rd., Ft Worth, TX. 76118

Sincerely,

James Fish, RLA ASLA Sr. Park Planner

Attachments - Bid Tabulation