

MEMORANDUM

TO:

Romin Khavari, P.E City Engineer

FROM:

Michael Chapa, P.E. Project Engineer

DATE:

February 7, 2019

SUBJECT: Miscellaneous Water and Wastewater Replacements in Timberdale Street, Pinoak Street, North Holiday Street, South Holiday Street, Grenoble Drive and NW 14th Street, Work Order # 617.120 City File # SS-688.

On February 5, 2019 the City of Grand Prairie publicly opened sealed bids for the above referenced project. A total of five (5) bids were received as follows:

Contractor	Total Bid	
Gra-Tex Utilities, Inc.	\$2,896,977.35	
Muniz Construction	\$3,591,355.00	
Excel 4 Construction	\$3,880,306.50	
SYB Construction Company	\$3,942,552.35	
Jackson Construction	\$5,367,916.00	

The total Engineer's opinion of probable construction cost was \$3,672,902; Gra-Tex Utilities, Inc. was the low bidder with a total bid of \$2,896,977.35 and 360 calendar days to complete the project. We checked the bids for errors and omissions and found none. Due to the difference between the low bid and second low bid, Gratex was asked if they are comfortable with their bid and they said that they were.

We also reviewed Gra-Tex Utilities, Inc. bid along with their qualifications, and other company profile information. We contacted the following references for Gra-Tex Utilities, Inc. and received favorable reviews for the work they have performed and/or currently performing for these entities on similar type projects. Most responded that Gra-Tex Utilities, Inc. is a great and knowledgeable company, easy to work with and they produce a good quality work. All expressed willingness to work with them again.

•	Lori Du	City of Arlington	(817) 459-6636
•	Chris Underwood	City of Fort Worth	(817) 392-2629
•	Lisa Minnis	City of Everman	(817) 675-2134

Gra-Tex Utilities, Inc. has also worked with the City of Grand Prairie on several projects with similar scope.

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Based on their bid, references and work history and experience in Grand Prairie and in the Metroplex, we found nothing to warrant the disqualification of Gra-Tex Utilities, Inc. and therefore recommend that the project consisting of Miscellaneous Water and Wastewater Replacements in Timberdale Street, Pinoak Street, North Holiday Street, South Holiday Street, Grenoble Drive, and NW 14th Street, Work Order # 617.120 be awarded to Gra-Tex Utilities, Inc. The award should be contingent on procurement of insurance and bonds by Gra-Tex Utilities, Inc.

Attachments: Bid Tabs

Michael Chapa, P.E