

## **MEMORANDUM**

**TO:** Romin Khavari, P.E., City Engineer

**FROM:** Craig Alexander, P.E., Licensed Civil Engineer

**DATE:** August 7, 2015

SUBJECT: Recommendation of Award for Miscellaneous Water Replacements W.O #

612.70.

Bids for the referenced project were received and opened publicly on Tuesday, August 4, 2015 at the City of Grand Prairie. A total of six (6) bids were received. Below is a summary of the detailed bid tabulation:

Contractor	Total Bid
Gra-Tex Utilities	\$ 2,436,801.00
SYB Construction	\$ 2,573,814.49
*Circle C Construction	\$ 2,688,811.00
Jackson Construction	\$ 2,743,774.50
Wilson Contractor Services	\$ 3,136,762.56
Saber Development	\$3,455,445.00

The total Engineer's opinion of probable construction cost was \$2,300.00. Gra-Tex Utilities was the lowest of the six bidders with a total bid of \$2,436,801.00 and 450 calendar days to complete the project.

\* We checked the bids for errors and omissions and found one bid from Circle 'C' with a Calculation error against their favor in the N.E 9<sup>th</sup> Street location item No.21; however, this error did not change the bid ranking for this project.

We have reviewed Gra-Tex Utilities bid along with their qualifications, financial statements and company profile information. We contacted the following references for Gra-Tex Utilities and received highly favorable reviews for the work they performed and/or currently performing for those entities on similar type projects. The consensus of responses including City of Grand Prairie staff whom Gra-Tex had performed several projects with satisfactory outcomes was that Gra-Tex Utilities quality of work is very good, their staff is responsive and very good to work with; Gra-Tex as a whole is a very good company and its work is very satisfactory.

<ul> <li>City of Grand Prairie</li> </ul>	George Fanous	972-237-8143
<ul> <li>City of Grapevine</li> </ul>	Gerald McLeod	817-614-4276
<ul> <li>City of Arlington</li> </ul>	Steve Schell	817-459-6152

Based on our evaluation, we have found nothing to warrant the disqualification of Gra-Tex Utilities' bid and therefore recommend that the project consisting of **Miscellaneous Water Replacements W.O** #612.70 be awarded to Gra-Tex Utilities. The award should be contingent on procurement of insurance and bonds by Gra-Tex Utilities.

Attachments: Bid Tabs, List of references, financial statement

cc: Bill Crolley, Director of Planning & Development Ron McCuller, Director of Public Works Walter Shumac, Director of Transportation Services Doug Bevins, Chief Engineering Inspector Maxine Snow, Administrative Supervisor