

CITY COUNCIL AGENDA TOPIC

Motion to award Bid No. 26008 for the Aqua Vista Sewer Replacement project to Laser Underground & Earthworks Inc., as the lowest responsive and responsible bidder, in an amount not to exceed \$881,250, plus all applicable taxes (CIP Plan No. S-24).

Lucy Liu, Director
 Dave Baisch, Assistant Director of Engineering
Utilities Department

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

ACTION

This motion will award Bid No. 26008 to Laser Underground & Earthworks Inc., for the Aqua Vista Sewer Replacement project in an amount not to exceed \$881,250, plus all applicable taxes (CIP Plan No. S-24).

RECOMMENDATION

Move to award Bid No. 26008 for the Aqua Vista Sewer Replacement project to Laser Underground & Earthworks Inc.

BACKGROUND/ANALYSIS

The project replaces approximately 270 linear feet of 8-inch diameter sanitary sewer and 4 side sewer services on steel piles along 93rd Avenue NE within the City of Clyde Hill. This area has very weak compressible soils (peat, soft clay) that caused the sewer pipe to fail due to settlement, resulting in sewage flow blockages.

The project includes asphalt pavement grind and overlay to restore the full road section after sewer construction. The driveways of two private properties will also be restored as the grades of the side sewers will be adjusted for the sewer to flow properly into the main sewer.

Bids were opened on May 21 and are as follows. Please note, these bids do not include Washington State sales tax on applicable bid items.

Contractor	Bid (excluding taxes)
<i>Laser Underground & Earthworks Inc.</i>	<i>\$881,250.00</i>
<i>Granite Construction</i>	<i>\$1,037,855.00</i>
<i>Northwest Cascade</i>	<i>\$1,517,785.00</i>
Engineer's Estimate	\$739,475.00

Utilities performed a review of the bid submitted by Laser Underground & Earthworks Inc. The bid from Laser Underground & Earthworks Inc. is approximately \$141,775 or 19% over the Engineer's estimate. Staff performed an in-depth analysis of the bid as compared to the Engineer's estimate and have found Laser Underground & Earthworks Inc. bid to be responsive and responsible.

To the best of staff's knowledge, all factors that normally contribute to construction expenses have been accounted for in the Plans, Specifications and Engineer's estimate.

POLICY & FISCAL IMPACTS

Policy Impact

Utilities Department policies: The Utility shall identify sanitary sewer capital projects that prevent or reduce flooding or property damage, protect or improve water quality, and maintain or improve the reliability and integrity of the sanitary sewer system.

Utilities Department practice: Rehabilitate or replace deteriorated elements of the wastewater system. CIP Plan No. S-24 has been designated to do this.

Bellevue City Code 4.28.040 requires the city to competitively bid public works in accordance with city codes and state law. Council approval is required to award or reject any bid where the cost exceeds \$350,000.

Fiscal Impact

Awarding this bid commits the city to payment of \$881,250, plus all applicable taxes. This contract is funded through the Sewer System Pipeline Major Repairs (CIP Plan No. S-24). Sufficient funds have been budgeted to fund this contract in the 2025-2030 Utilities Capital Improvement Program (CIP) Budget.

OPTIONS

1. Award Bid No. 26008 for the Aqua Vista Sewer Replacement project to Laser Underground & Earthworks Inc., as the lowest responsive and responsible bidder, in an amount not to exceed \$881,250, plus all applicable taxes (CIP Plan No. S-24).
2. Reject all bids and provide alternative direction to staff.

ATTACHMENTS

- A. Vicinity Map

AVAILABLE IN COUNCIL LIBRARY

N/A