## CITY COUNCIL AGENDA MEMORANDUM

#### **SUBJECT**

Motion to award Bid No. 15113 for Yarrow Point Pump Station Wetwell Rehabilitation to Accord Construction, as the lowest responsible and responsive bidder, in the amount of \$159,694.80 (CIP Plan No. S-16).

## FISCAL IMPACT

Awarding this bid commits the City to payment of \$159,694.80. This contract is fully funded through the Utility's Sewer Pump Station Improvements (CIP Plan No. S-16). This amount is approximately 16.6% above the Engineer's Estimate. Sufficient funds have been budgeted to fund this contract in the 2015-2016 Utilities CIP Budget.

#### **STAFF CONTACT**

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#### **POLICY CONSIDERATION**

Utilities Department policies:

• The Utility shall invest resources as necessary to construct, maintain and renew sewer system infrastructure and equipment such that Utility customers are provided consistent, reliable service.

Utilities Department practice:

• Rehabilitate or replace deteriorated elements of the wastewater system. CIP Plan No. S-16 has been designated to do this.

City contracting policies:

• Bellevue City Code 4.28.040 requires the City to competitively bid public works in accordance with the Code and state law. Council approval is required to award the bid where the cost exceeds \$90,000.

#### BACKGROUND

This contract involves rehabilitating the wetwell of the Yarrow Point Pump Station. The Yarrow Point Pump Station is one of a series of pump stations needed to pump wastewater through the City's lake lines. The pump station is located in the right-of-way in a street-end park, at 9000 NE 42<sup>nd</sup> Street in the Town of Yarrow Point. The wetwell interior coating, as well as grating and other equipment, have reached the end of their useful life and need to be replaced. This contract includes re-coating the wetwell interior concrete surface and replacing the ladder, grating platform, lighting, and conduits. The contract also includes temporary bypass pumping of wastewater during the project. The project will protect the concrete structure from further corrosion damage, extending the life of the structure and improve safety by replacing corroded wetwell access and lighting features.

An approved right-of-way permit from The Town of Yarrow Point was included in the contract to

address traffic and right-of-way use during construction. Letters were sent to the property owners adjacent to the site, as well as to the surrounding neighborhood informing them of the project and the construction window.

By awarding this rehabilitation contract, the City will extend the life of this pump station and avoid expensive and disruptive repair or replacement of the facility.

Bids were opened on October 13, 2015 and are as follows:

Accord Construction	\$159,694.80
Award Construction	197,428.50
<b>Engineer's Estimate</b>	\$136,984.50

The bid price by the low bidder, Accord Construction, exceeds the Engineer's Estimate by approximately 16.6%. Staff has reviewed the bid and believes that the price received from the low bidder is valid and represents a fair cost to perform the work. Two bids were received, and staff believes these bids were competitive. The low bid price is reasonably close to the Engineer's Estimate, and it is unlikely that re-bidding the project will provide better results than those obtained with this bid.

Although the bid for this project exceeds the Engineer's Estimate, funds are available to complete this project.

To the best of staff's knowledge, all factors that normally contribute to construction expense have been accounted for in the plans and in the Engineer's Estimate. It is staff's experience that construction projects of this type may result in some amount of field changes. Such claims are rigorously reviewed, and only those that are clearly necessary to accomplish the intent of the contract, but have somehow not been provided for, will be paid.

## **EFFECTIVE DATE**

If adopted, this Motion becomes effective immediately upon adoption.

## **OPTIONS**

- Award Bid No. 15113 for Yarrow Point Pump Station Wetwell Rehabilitation to Accord Construction, as the lowest responsible and responsive bidder, in the amount of \$159,694.80 (CIP Plan No. S-16).
- 2. Award contract to another bidder, if low bidder is rejected.
- 3. Reject all bids and re-bid at a later date.

## **RECOMMENDATION**

Option No. 1.

References have been checked and the contractor has the resources and experience necessary to successfully complete this project.

MOTION Move to award Bid No. 15113 for Yarrow Point Pump Station Wetwell Rehabilitation to Accord Construction, as the lowest responsible and responsive, bidder in the amount of \$159,694.80 (CIP Plan No. S-16).

# **ATTACHMENTS**

A: Vicinity Map

B: CIP Project Description