

October 2, 2017

CITY COUNCIL AGENDA MEMORANDUM

SUBJECT

Motion to reject all bids for Bid No. 17058 for Storm Pond Retrofit, 501 West Lake Sammamish Parkway, CIP Plan No. D-64, redesign the project and call for bids at a later date.

FISCAL IMPACT

Rejecting this bid does not commit the City to a contract; however, the City would lose approximately \$4,500 in labor, printing, and advertising costs.

If awarded, this bid would commit the City to a contract of \$218,877.50 plus all applicable taxes. This contract is fully funded through the Utility's Storm System Conveyance Repairs and Replacement (CIP Plan No. D-64). This amount is approximately 51.8 percent above the Engineer's Estimate. Sufficient funds have been budgeted to fund this contract in the 2017-2023 Utilities CIP Budget.

STAFF CONTACTS

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Utilities Department

POLICY CONSIDERATION

Utilities Department policies:

- The Utility shall identify drainage 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 drainage system.

Utilities Department practice:

- Rehabilitate or replace deteriorated elements of the storm drainage system to ensure that utility customers are provided with consistent and reliable service. CIP Plan No. D-64 has been designated to do this.

City contracting policies:

- Bellevue City Code section 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 project involves retrofit to an existing City-owned storm drainage facility located at 501 West Lake Sammamish Parkway NE. The facility receives storm water runoff from the surrounding neighborhoods and ponds water to create a constructed wetland prior to the storm water release to Lake Sammamish.

An existing 8-foot tall ecology block retaining wall on this site has begun to fail and needs to be replaced with a new wall to protect an existing maintenance access drive into the site. This project involves removal of the existing block wall and replacement with a geotextile retaining wall that utilizes reinforcing grids tied into the backfill material behind the wall.

Bids were opened on June 13 and are as follows:

IO Environmental & Infrastructure, Inc.	\$101,119.78*
Road Construction	218,877.50
Green Tech Excavation, Inc.	221,290.00**
Engineer's Estimate	\$144,230.00

*IO Environmental & Infrastructure, Inc. failed to fill in a dollar value on the Proposal/Construction Contract and therefore were deemed non-responsive.

**Green Tech Excavation, Inc., also submitted a bid, however a mathematical error was identified and their bid was re-calculated resulting in an actual bid price \$1,248,090.00. This revised bid was deemed non-competitive, and therefore non-responsive.

The low bidder was non-responsive as they did not properly fill out required bid submittal forms. Upon examination of the bids, it was determined that the second low bid exceeded the Engineer's Estimate by over 50 percent, and the third low bid was unrealistically high due to an error on their bid. Given the limited number of bidders and the significant disparity in the bids, staff does not believe that the bids received represent a fair and competitive cost for this project. Utilities recommends that all bids be rejected and the project be rebid in early 2018. Rebidding the project early in 2018 is likely to attract a greater number of bidders and thereby more competitive bids.

EFFECTIVE DATE

If approved, this Motion becomes effective immediately upon Council adoption.

OPTIONS

1. Motion to reject all bids for Bid No. 17058 for Storm Pond Retrofit, 501 West Lake Sammamish Parkway, CIP Plan No. D-64, redesign the project and call for bids at a later date.
2. Reject all bids and re-bid at a later date.

RECOMMENDATION

Option 1

MOTION

Reject all bids for Bid No. 17058 for Storm Pond Retrofit, 501 West Lake Sammamish Parkway, CIP Plan No. D-64, redesign the project and call for bids at a later date.

ATTACHMENTS

- A. Vicinity Map
- B. CIP Project Description

AVAILABLE IN COUNCIL DOCUMENT LIBRARY

N/A