

CITY COUNCIL REGULAR SESSION

Motion to award Bid No. 19004 for the East Central Business District (ECBD) and Wilburton Sewer Main Abandonment to Strickland and Sons Excavation, as the lowest responsive and responsible bidder, in an amount not to exceed \$428,082.40, plus all applicable taxes (CIP Plan No. S-60).

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Utilities Department

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

This motion will award Bid No. 19004 to Strickland and Sons Excavation for the ECBD and Wilburton Sewer Main Abandonment.

RECOMMENDATION

Move to award Bid No. 19004 for ECBD and Wilburton Sewer Main Abandonment to Strickland and Sons Excavation.

If approved, effective date: 04/01/2019

BACKGROUND/ANALYSIS

New, large sewer mains were installed in the ECBD and Wilburton areas in 2016-2017 to accommodate future growth. Approximately 5,061 linear feet of existing sewer mains were replaced within the right-of-way of 112th Ave NE/SE, NE 8th St, and 114th Ave SE. The replaced sewer mains are still in place and out of service but were not permanently abandoned as part of the construction of the new sewer mains.

This contract will permanently abandon these replaced sewer mains and associated manholes. Abandonment entails filling the sewer main with controlled density fill (CDF) and removal of the top portion of the manhole where possible, backfilling with gravel and restoring the surface. Where removal of the top portion of the manhole is not possible, the entire manhole will be backfilled with CDF.

Bids were opened on February 7 and include 10 percent Washington State sales tax on applicable bid items:

Strickland and Sons Excavation	\$428,082.40
Nordvind Company	\$439,990.45

Engineer's Estimate	\$387,664.20
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The low bid from Strickland and Sons is \$40,418.20 greater than the Engineer's estimate. This is likely due to the current bidding climate as well as a highly restrictive work schedule for significant portion of work. In several areas where the work overlaps with Sound Transit East Link construction and only weekend work is allowed.

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 our experience that construction projects of this type usually 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.

POLICY & FISCAL IMPACTS

Policy Impact

Utilities Department policies: To 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: The City's practice is to provide sufficient capacity for anticipated upstream development. CIP Plan No. S-60 has been designated to do this.

Bellevue City Code: BCC 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.

Fiscal Impact

Awarding this bid commits the City to payment of \$428,082.40, plus all applicable taxes.

This contract cannot be fully funded through the Wilburton Sewer Capacity Upgrade project (CIP Plan No. S-60). To provide sufficient funds, an Ordinance amending the 2019-2025 Utilities CIP Budget, discussed under separate cover at tonight's meeting, will need to be approved.

OPTIONS

1. Award Bid No. 19004 for ECBD and Wilburton Sewer Main Abandonment to Strickland and Sons Excavation, as the lowest responsive and responsible bidder, in an amount not to exceed \$428,082.40 plus all applicable taxes.
2. Reject the bid and provide alternative direction to staff.

ATTACHMENTS & AVAILABLE DOCUMENTS

- A. Vicinity Map
- B. CIP Project Description (S-60)

AVAILABLE IN COUNCIL LIBRARY

N/A