



Item: Construction Contract Award: CMATP Great Bear Avenue Paving Improvements, Phase 2, O. F. 1658.1

From: Engineering Division

Initiated By: Public Works Department

Presented By: Jim Rearden, Public Works Director

Action Requested: Consider Bids and Approve Contract

Suggested Motion:

1. Commissioner moves:

"I move the City Commission award a contract in the amount of \$361,712.00 to United Materials of Great Falls, Inc., (United Materials) for the CMATP Great Bear Avenue Paving Improvements, Phase 2, O. F. 1658.1, and authorize the City Manager to execute the construction contract documents."

2. Mayor calls for a second, discussion, public comment, and calls for the vote.

Staff Recommendation: Approve construction contract award.

Background:

Significant Impacts

This project will replace the gravel surface with asphalt pavement on Great Bear Avenue between U.S. Highway 87 and the gate of the Malteurop barley malting plant. The roadway will also be widened and the lanes striped. The road will provide improved access to the ADF International steel fabrication facility, Malteurop, and Dali LLC's proposed Great Bear Subdivision No. 2 (Phases I and II) subdivisions, which are all of the properties within the existing Tax Increment Financing Industrial District (TIFID), known as the Central Montana Agricultural Technology Park (CMATP).

Citizen Participation

The CMATP and adjacent area have no private residences, although Neighborhood Council 3 and the public in general have commented favorably upon industrial development in this area. The TIF application for this expenditure was approved by the Planning Advisory Board and the City Commission, at which times the public had opportunities to comment. ADF, Dali, and Malteurop have been informed on the progress of the project.

Workload Impacts

The project was designed and bid out by TD&H Engineering, who will also assist with administrative duties. City engineering staff reviewed the project plans and documents, and will perform construction inspection and contract administration duties.

Purpose

This project will improve access to ADF, Dali, and Malteurop. The current gravel road is subject to wash boarding and dust, which will only increase with additional traffic loading.

Project Work Scope

This project will replace the current 30-foot wide graveled roadway with a 35-foot wide asphalt road. The new roadway will be installed from U. S. Highway 87 to the malt plant gate, a pavement length of 1,576 feet. Since heavy truck traffic is expected, the road section is being thickened to add strength and reduce future maintenance. Paved turnouts for Innovation Street and the ADF driveway will be installed, along with two conduits for future utilities to avoid future pavement cuts. Disturbed shoulder areas will be restored.

Evaluation and Selection Process

Two bids were received and opened for this project on September 25, 2013. The bids for this project ranged from \$361,712.00 to \$385,643.80. United Materials submitted the low bid. United Materials is an established responsible local contractor and has done numerous projects within the City.

Conclusion

City staff recommends awarding the contract to United Materials in the amount of \$361,712.00. United Materials has executed all the necessary documents.

Concurrences:

The consultant has verified the low bid to be complete and valid, and recommends award.

Fiscal Impact:

The roadway pavement and upgrades will serve the expanding employment base in Great Falls. Over time, development of this area will indirectly and directly improve the City's tax base.

This project is being funded through the CMATP TIFID using cash on hand. Project funding was approved by the City Commission on July 2, 2013 in Agenda # 18.

The attached bid tabulation summarizes bids that were received.

Alternatives:

The City Commission could vote to deny award of the construction contract and re-bid the project or do nothing.

Attachments/Exhibits:

1. Bid tabulation is attached.

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BID TABULATION SUMMARY

OFFICE FILE 1658.1
CMATP GREAT BEAR AVENUE PAVING IMPRV. PH 2

BIDS TAKEN AT CIVIC CENTER.

DATE: 25-SEP-13
TABULATED BY: KARI WAMBACH

	NAME & ADDRESS OF BIDDER	ACKNOWLEDGE ADD. #1	ACKNOWLEDGE ADD. #2	10% BID SECURITY	CERTIFICATE OF NON-SEGREGATED FACILITIES	CERTIFICATE OF COMPLIANCE WITH INSURANCE REQ.	TOTAL BID
1	UNITED MATERIALS, INC. P.O. BOX 1690 GREAT FALLS, MT 59403	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	\$361,712.00
2	SHUMAKER TRUCKING P.O. BOX 1279 GREAT FALLS, MT 59403	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	\$385,643.80
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