

MEMORANDUM TO: Mr. Robert Rivera, Director
City of New Port Richey Public Works
(Via Email: RiveraR@cityofnewportriches.org)

FROM: Richard M. Bekesh, AIA, President

DATE: February 16, 2023

REFERENCE: **Fire Station No. 2**
SEI Project No. 2020-23

SUBJECT: Bid Analysis and Recommendation (Updated)

This memo is a follow-up to the February 6, 2023 memo and is in reference to the bids received for the above referenced project on January 12, 2023, at 2:00 p.m. Bids were received from E&L Construction Group, Park & Eleazer Construction and All Phase Construction.

On January 20, 2023, I met with the following individuals from E&L Construction, the low bidder, to discuss and review their bid submittal:

- Tony Haag
- Amy Jordan
- Justin Luise

We had a robust discussion regarding the project scope and the accuracy and completeness of their bid. They indicated to me that their bid had been rechecked in-house multiple times and they were very confident that their number was accurate and that they could complete the project for the amount they proposed. Based upon the discussions with E&L, my recommendation is to award them the project for their bid price of \$3,905,242.00.

Please note and be aware of the following when acting on this recommendation:

1. There is a \$70,000.00 Allowance in the base bid for subsurface remediation. Please understand it is possible that once grouting starts this allowance could be exceeded.
2. There are eight (8) alternates that have been submitted. Two (2) of the alternates are additive. As discussed E&L's generator alternate number of \$184,128.00 will be honored as the labor cost to install and build the enclosure. The City will provide the generator and transfer switch. This is NOT in the Base Bid, and this should be added to the overall cost.

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3. Alternate #7 is not included in the Base Bid. This is to connect the station to Grand Blvd. As discussed, the City wants to accept this and the amount of \$16,204.00 should be added to the bid price.
4. The City wishes to add a \$200,000.00 contingency. This amount should be added to the bid price.
5. The design called for a dark colored storefront system. The contractor has advised us that this system currently has a 25–30 week lead time. This could delay the start of the job.
6. The plans call for a conduit and pull string out to the traffic light. No other work associated with modifying the traffic signal is included in the base bid.
7. The apparatus bay has been designed with a traditional forced air ventilation system. There is no direct capture or specific engine exhaust removal system beyond what is in the plans. Adding one of these types of systems will increase the cost.
8. There will be a credit of \$15,500.00 for removing the extractor listed on Sheet A104, Equipment Item A13 as this does not need to be supplied.
9. Please be advised that in order to connect the southernmost driveway, an easement from HCA is needed.
10. There is a conflict with one of the documents E&L submitted with their bid. Their typed schedule of values has a higher number than their bid submittal. We have discussed this with them, and they are honoring the \$3,905,242.00.

Should you elect to move forward with additive Alternates #1 and #7, the \$200,000.00 contingency and the \$15,500.00 credit for the extractor, the total amount would be \$4,290,074.00.

BID PRICE	\$ 3,905,242.00
Alternate #1	\$ 184,128.00
Alternate #7	\$ 16,204.00
Owners Contingency	\$ 200,000.00
Extractor Credit	\$ (15,500.00)
TOTAL PRICE	\$ 4,290,074.00

Please let me know if you would like to meet to discuss any of this further. Thank you.

Attachments

Copy to: Debbie Manns
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