

March 6, 2023

Mr. Robert M. Rivera  
Public Works Director  
City of New Port Richey  
6420 Pine Hill Road  
Port Richey, Florida 34668

RE: Bid Recommendation – 2023 North River Road Streetscape

Mr. Rivera:

On February 24, 2023 at 2:00 PM local time, bid proposals were opened for the above referenced project. From the bid tabulation results, there were a total of two (2) bids. The distribution of bids was within a similar bid range with the high bid being \$1,755,815.00 and the low bid being \$1,421,860.50. The lowest bid was consistent with the project estimate and we believe this bid is accurate for the work to be performed. Attachment A shows the bid tabulation results containing the 2 bidders' names and the bid prices.

It is our understanding that the City intends to award the contract to the bidder with the lowest total base bid after adjustment by inclusion of the Additive Bid Item. The lowest total adjusted base bid (including the Additive Bid Item) of \$1,591,315.50, submitted by **Keystone Excavators, Inc.** appears to be a reasonable price for this project's scope of work. The City has not worked with this company before, but has verified their work quality through discussions with their current client references. I have discussed the bid with **Keystone Excavators, Inc.** and have been assured that they understand the bid documents and are comfortable with their bid amount and the work that is expected by the City.

Therefore, I am confident that **Keystone Excavators, Inc.** is qualified and capable of performing all of the work described in the bid documents and recommend that the City of New Port Richey award this project to them in the amount of one million five hundred ninety one thousand three hundred fifteen dollars and fifty cents (\$1,591,315.50).

Sincerely,



Brent A. Heath, P.E.  
Senior Engineer

