



City of Grand Island

Tuesday, November 20, 2018

Council Session

Item G-14

#2018-350 - Approving Award of Professional Engineering Consulting Services for Broadwell Avenue & UPRR Grade Separation Study

Staff Contact: John Collins, P.E. - Public Works Director

Council Agenda Memo

From: Keith Kurz PE, Assistant Public Works Director

Meeting: November 20, 2018

Subject: Approving Award of Professional Engineering Consulting Services for Broadwell Avenue & UPRR Grade Separation Study

Presenter(s): John Collins PE, Public Works Director

Background

A Request for Qualifications (RFQ) for engineering consulting services for Broadwell Avenue & Union Pacific Railroad (UPRR) Grade Separation Study was advertised in the Grand Island Independent on September 8, 2018. The RFQ was also sent to eighteen (18) potential firms by the Engineering Division of the Public Works Department.

Continuing to explore ways to accommodate the growing traffic within the city, Public Works Engineering staff plans to complete a feasibility study for a grade separation structure with the UPRR to be located at or around the existing Broadwell Avenue crossing north of 3rd Street. This study is necessary for the city to submit to the Nebraska Department of Transportation (NDOT) in order to secure potential federal funding for assistance in building a grade separation in this area. Without the study, additional funding sources cannot be secured. Due to the length of this process, it was decided to go ahead with this study in order to begin this process. A Concept Design Report for Broadwell Avenue Grade Separation across the UPRR Tracks was done in 2004 and will be used as the starting point for this study.

Discussion

Four (4) submittals were opened on September 25, 2018, reviewed and scored.

Using the evaluation criteria set out in the Request for Qualifications the submittal from HDR Engineering, Inc. of Omaha, Nebraska was scored as the highest ranking firm. Negotiations with the selected firm resulted in an agreed upon amount of \$226,660.00 for such services.

Alternatives

It appears that the Council has the following alternatives concerning the issue at hand. The Council may:

1. Move to approve
2. Refer the issue to a Committee
3. Postpone the issue to future date
4. Take no action on the issue

Recommendation

City Administration recommends that the Council approve the award of Professional Engineering Consulting Services for Broadwell Avenue & UPRR Grade Separation Study to HDR Engineering, Inc. of Omaha, Nebraska for an amount not to exceed \$226,660.00.

Sample Motion

Move to approve the award of the proposal.



Stacy Nonhof, Purchasing Agent

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**REQUEST FOR QUALIFICATIONS
FOR
ENGINEERING SERVICES FOR THE PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT
2019 CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT PROJECTS; SELECTED LOCATIONS**

RFP DUE DATE: September 25, 2018 at 4:00 p.m.

DEPARTMENT: Public Works

PUBLICATION DATE: September 8, 2018

NO. POTENTIAL BIDDERS: 18

SUMMARY OF PROPOSALS RECEIVED

Felsburg Holt & Ullevig
Lincoln, NE

HDR Engineering, Inc.
Omaha, NE

Alfred Benesch
Grand Island, NE

Iteris Inc.
Lincoln, NE

Olsson Associates
Grand Island NE

cc: John Collins, Public Works Director
Marlan Ferguson, City Administrator
Stacy Nonhof, Purchasing Agent

Catrina DeLosh, PW Admin. Assist.
Patrick Brown, Finance Director
Keith Kurz, Assist. Public Works Director

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RESOLUTION 2018-350

WHEREAS, the City Of Grand Island invited submittals for professional engineering consulting services for Broadwell Avenue & UPRR Grade Separation Study, according to the Request For Qualifications (RFQ) on file with the Engineering Division of the Public Works Department; and

WHEREAS, on September 25, 2018 submittals were received, reviewed, and evaluated in accordance with established criteria in the RFQ; and

WHEREAS, HDR Engineering, Inc. of Omaha, Nebraska submitted qualifications in accordance with the terms of the Request for Qualifications and all statutory requirements contained therein and the City Procurement Code with the work performed at an amount not to exceed \$226,660.00.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE MAYOR AND COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF GRAND ISLAND, NEBRASKA, that the submittal from HDR Engineering, Inc. of Omaha, Nebraska for professional engineering consulting services for Broadwell Avenue & UPRR Grade Separation Study is hereby approved.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Mayor is hereby authorized and directed to execute such agreement on behalf of the City of Grand Island.

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Adopted by the City Council of the City of Grand Island, Nebraska, November 20, 2018.

Jeremy L. Jensen, Mayor

Attest:

Aaron Schmid, City Clerk Pro Tem

Approved as to Form	☐ _____
November 16, 2018	☐ City Attorney