



# City of Grand Island

Tuesday, February 8, 2022

Council Session

## Item G-7

**#2022-35 - Approving Bid Award - Circuit Breaker Replacement  
for Low Voltage Switchgear**

Staff Contact: Tim Luchsinger, Stacy Nonhof

# Council Agenda Memo

**From:** Timothy G. Luchsinger, Utilities Director  
Stacy Nonhof, Interim City Attorney

**Date:** February 8, 2022

**Subject:** Circuit Breaker Replacement for Low Voltage Switchgear

**Presenter(s):** Timothy G. Luchsinger, Utilities Director

## Background

Platte Generating Station has several 480V load centers that have breakers used to operate large pumps and motors. In two load centers, the breakers operate several times a day and have been rebuilt several times in the last 39 years. A newer style breaker designed to operate pumps and is safer was specified to fit into the existing breaker housings.

## Discussion

Specifications for the Circuit Breaker Replacement for Low Voltage Switchgear were advertised and issued for bid in accordance with the City Purchasing Code. Bids were publicly opened on January 25, 2022. The engineer's estimate for this project was \$160,000.00.

Bidder	Bid Price	Adjusted Bice Price
Graybar Electric Company, Inc. Lincoln, Nebraska	\$ 128,929.13	\$128,781.60

Bids were reviewed by plant engineering staff. Sales tax was miscalculated and adjusted to the correct 7.5%. Otherwise, it is compliant with specifications and less than the engineer's estimate.

## 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 Council award the Contract for the Circuit Breaker Replacement for Low Voltage Switchgear to Graybar Electric Company, Inc. of Lincoln, Nebraska, as the low responsive bidder, with the bid in the amount of \$128,781.60.

### **Sample Motion**

Move to approve the bid in the amount of \$128,781.60 from Graybar Electric Company, Inc. for the Circuit Breaker Replacement for Low Voltage Switchgear.



Stacy Nonhof, Purchasing Agent

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**BID OPENING**

**BID OPENING DATE:** January 25, 2022 at 2:15 p.m.  
**FOR:** Circuit Breaker Replacement for Low Voltage Switchgear  
**DEPARTMENT:** Utilities  
**ESTIMATE:** \$160,000.00  
**FUND/ACCOUNT:** 520  
**PUBLICATION DATE:** January 5, 2022  
**NO. POTENTIAL BIDDERS:** 2

**SUMMARY**

**Bidder:** Graybar Electric Company, Inc.  
Lincoln, NE  
**Bid Security:** Fidelity & Deposit Company  
**Exceptions:** None  
  
**Bid Price:**  
**Materials:** \$110,494.51  
**Installation:** \$ 10,000.00  
**Labor:** Included  
**Sales Tax:** \$ 8,434.62  
**Total Bid:** \$128,929.13

cc: Tim Luchsinger, Utilities Director  
Jerry Janulewicz, City Administrator  
Stacy Nonhof, Purchasing Agent  
Karen Nagel, Utilities Secretary

Angela Sculte, Utilities Secretary  
Patrick Brown, Finance Director  
Ryan Kruse, Production Engineer

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RESOLUTION 2022-35

WHEREAS, the City of Grand Island invited sealed bids for Circuit Breaker Replacement for Low Voltage Switchgear, according to plans and specifications on file with the Utilities Department; and

WHEREAS, on January 25, 2022, bids were received, opened and reviewed; and

WHEREAS, Graybar Electric Company, Inc., of Lincoln, Nebraska, submitted a bid in accordance with the terms of the advertisement of bids and plans and specifications and all other statutory requirements contained therein, such bid being in the amount of \$128,781.60; and

WHEREAS, the bid of Graybar Electric Company, Inc., is less than the estimate for Circuit Breaker Replacement for Low Voltage Switchgear.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE MAYOR AND COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF GRAND ISLAND, NEBRASKA, that the bid of Graybar Electric Company, Inc., in the amount of \$128,781.60 for Circuit Breaker Replacement for Low Voltage Switchgear, is approved as the lowest responsible bid.

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Adopted by the City Council of the City of Grand Island, Nebraska, February 8, 2022.

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Roger G. Steele, Mayor

Attest:

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RaNae Edwards, City Clerk

Approved as to Form	☒ _____
February 3, 2022	☒ City Attorney