



# City of Grand Island

Tuesday, February 26, 2013

Council Session

## Item G5

**#2013-47 - Approving Bid Award - Water Main Project 2013-W-1 -  
Clark Street at the Union Pacific Railroad Tracks**

Staff Contact: Tim Luchsinger, Stacy Nonhof

# **Council Agenda Memo**

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

**Meeting:** February 26, 2013

**Subject:** Bid Award – Water Main Project 2013-W-1  
Clark Street at the Union Pacific Railroad Crossing

**Item** G-5

**Presenter(s):** Tom Barnes, Civil Engineering Manager, Utilities

## **Background**

There are currently 12 water main pipelines that run under the Union Pacific Railroad through the center of town. These crossings tie the water distribution system together. The existing main in Clark Street, between South Front Street and North Front Street, was installed under the railroad tracks in 1917 without a protective casing, which is our standard practice today.

Due to the age of the pipe, and potential damage to railroad property due to a pipe failure, plans and specifications were prepared for Water Main Project 2013-W-1. The project will replace the existing direct buried water line with a new 24-inch protective outer steel casing and 12-inch ductile-iron water main beyond the limits of the trackage. A map of the crossing area is attached for reference.

## **Discussion**

Bidding documents were advertised in accordance with City Procurement Codes. Four plan services firms and eight construction companies received copies of the specifications and plans. Three bids were received and publicly opened at 2:00 p.m. on February 14, 2013 as tabulated below:

<b>Bidder</b>	<b>Bid Security</b>	<b>Exceptions</b>	<b>Bid Price</b>
General Excavating Lincoln, NE	Universal Surety Co.	None	\$146,354.00
Diamond Engineering Co. Grand Island, NE	Universal Surety Co.	None	\$ 84,363.00
Van Kirk Bros. Constr. Sutton, NE	Universal Surety Co.	None	\$ 79,798.50

The bids have been reviewed and evaluated, and are without errors or exceptions.

### **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 accept the bid and award the contract for Water Main Project 2013-W-1, Clark Street and the Union Pacific Railroad Crossing; to the low responsive bidder, Van Kirk Sand & Gravel, Inc., d/b/a Van Kirk Bros. Contracting, of Sutton, Nebraska, in the amount of \$79,798.50. Their bid is below the project estimate of \$100,000 and meets contract requirements

### **Sample Motion**

Move to the construction contract for Water Main Project 2013-W-1, to Van Kirk Sand & Gravel, Inc., d/b/a Van Kirk Bros. Contracting, of Sutton, Nebraska, in the amount of \$79,798.50.



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**BID OPENING**

**BID OPENING DATE:** February 14, 2013 at 2:00 p.m.

**FOR:** Water Main Project 2013-W-1  
Clark Street and Union Pacific Railroad

**DEPARTMENT:** Utilities

**ESTIMATE:** \$100,000.00

**FUND/ACCOUNT:** 525

**PUBLICATION DATE:** January 24, 2013

**NO. POTENTIAL BIDDERS:** 6

**SUMMARY**

<b>Bidder:</b>	<b><u>The Diamond Engineering Co.</u></b> Grand Island, NE	<b><u>Van Kirk Bros. Contracting</u></b> Sutton, NE
<b>Bid Security:</b>	Universal Surety Co.	Universal Surety Co
<b>Exceptions:</b>	None	None
<b>Bid Price:</b>	<b>\$84,363.00</b>	<b>\$79,798.50</b>

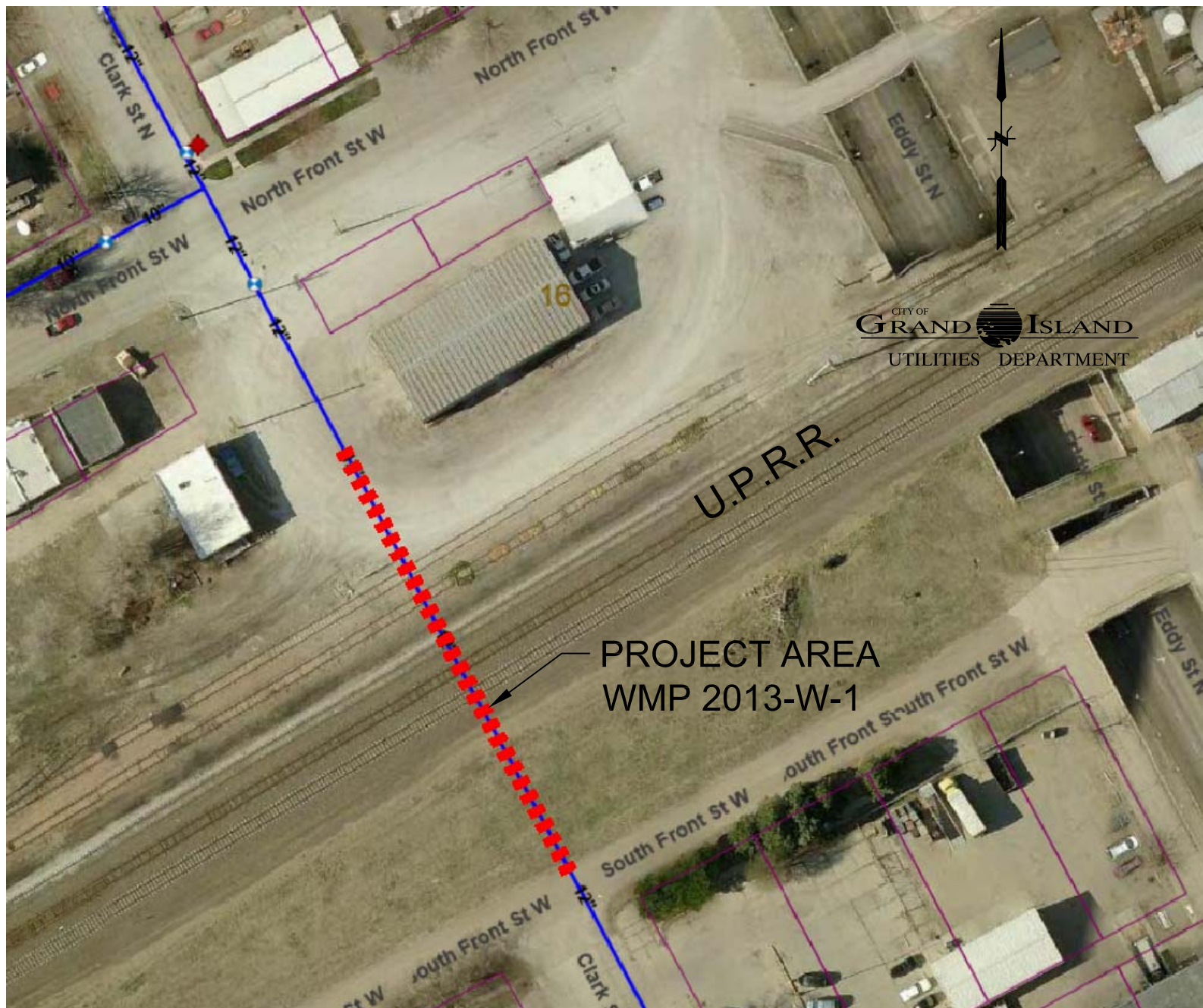
  

<b>Bidder:</b>	<b><u>General Excavating</u></b> Lincoln, NE
<b>Bid Security:</b>	Universal Surety Co
<b>Exceptions:</b>	None
<b>Bid Price:</b>	<b>\$146,354.00</b>

cc: Tim Luchsinger, Utilities Director  
Mary Lou Brown, City Administrator

Bob Smith, Assist. Utilities Director  
Pat Gericke, Utilities Admin. Assist.

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Water Main Project 2013-W-1  
Clark Street and UPRR

BIDS: 2/14/2013

ITEM	DESCRIPTION	QUANTITY	EST.	Van Kirk Bros. Contracting		Diamond Engineering Co.		General Excavation	
				Bid Unit	Total	Bid Unit	Total	Bid Unit	Total
D. 1.01	24" Dia x 0.438" Steel Casing	209.0	l.f.	300.00	62,700.00	289.30	60,463.70	589.00	123,101.00
D. 1.02	12" D.I. Pipe (RJ)	218.0	l.f.	62.00	13,516.00	96.00	20,928.00	75.00	16,350.00
D. 1.03	12" Tapped Cap (MJ)	1.0	ea.	250.00	250.00	505.50	505.50	1,100.00	1,100.00
D. 1.04	12" Cap (MJ)	1.0	ea.	250.00	250.00	448.50	448.50	584.00	584.00
D. 1.05	12" Retainer Gland	2.0	ea.	155.00	310.00	209.80	419.60	175.00	350.00
D. 1.06	8 mil Polywrap	218.0	lf	1.25	272.50	2.65	577.70	3.00	654.00
D. 1.07	Temp Traffic & Erosion Control	1.00	ea.	2,500.00	2,500.00	1,020.00	1,020.00	4,215.00	4,215.00
<b>Total Bid</b>					<b>\$79,798.50</b>		<b>\$84,363.00</b>		<b>\$146,354.00</b>

RESOLUTION 2013-47

WHEREAS, the City of Grand Island invited sealed bids for Water Main Project 2013-W-1; Clark Street at the Union Pacific Railroad tracks, according to plans and specifications on file with the Utilities Department; and

WHEREAS, on February 14, 2013, bids were received, opened and reviewed; and

WHEREAS, Van Kirk Brothers Construction of Sutton, 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 \$79,798.50; and

WHEREAS, the bid of Van Kirk Brothers Construction is less than the estimate for Water Main Project 2013-W-1 at Clark Street and the Union Pacific Railroad tracks.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE MAYOR AND COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF GRAND ISLAND, NEBRASKA, that the bid of Van Kirk Brothers Construction, in the amount of \$79,798.50 for Water Main Project 2013-W-1, is hereby approved as the lowest responsible bid.

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Adopted by the City Council of the City of Grand Island, Nebraska, February 26, 2013.

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Jay Vavricek, Mayor

Attest:

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Brenda Sutherland, Acting City Clerk

Approved as to Form	☐ _____
February 25, 2013	☐ City Attorney