



# **City of Grand Island**

**Tuesday, December 17, 2013**

**Council Session**

## **Item G-24**

**#2013-399 - Approving Award of Proposal for Office/Utility  
Building Construction at the Solid Waste Landfill**

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

# **Council Agenda Memo**

**From:** Jeff Wattier, Solid Waste Superintendent

**Meeting:** December 17, 2013

**Subject:** Approving Award of Proposal for Office/Utility Building Construction for the Solid Waste Division of the Public Works Department

**Item #'s:** G-24

**Presenter(s):** John Collins, P.E., Public Works Director

## **Background**

On November 4, 2013 a Request for Proposals (RFP) for office/utility building construction for the Solid Waste Division of the Public Works Department was advertised in the Grand Island Independent and sent to seven (7) potential proposers by the Solid Waste Division of the Public Works Department.

The current landfill maintenance building was constructed in 1992. The break room (which is only 7' by 8') and office (which is only 8' by 9') are extremely small and inadequate for landfill staff. This new office/utility building will allow for better facilities for landfill staff. The new building will also allow for additional storage of small equipment, tools, and a pickup. Once the new building is constructed, landfill staff will also remove the existing office and break room from the maintenance building, which will allow for one (1) additional bay (smaller vehicle capacity) to accommodate repair and maintenance of existing equipment at the landfill.

## **Discussion**

Six (6) proposals were opened on November 26<sup>th</sup>, 2013 and reviewed by the Public Works Department and the Purchasing Division of the City.

Mehring Construction Company, LLC of Grand Island, Nebraska submitted the most qualified proposal using evaluation criteria listed in the RFP. The building is to be constructed at actual costs with a maximum of \$65,488.60.

- Proposed cost (35%)
- Responsiveness and completeness of proposal (20%)

- Experience and qualifications of the company (20%)
- Proposed agreement for the project (10%)
- Proposed timeline for the project (15%)

### **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 proposal to Mehring Construction Company, LLC of Grand Island, Nebraska.

### **Sample Motion**

Move to approve the award of proposal to Mehring Construction Company, LLC of Grand Island, Nebraska.



Stacy Nonhof, Purchasing Agent

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**REQUEST FOR PROPOSAL  
FOR  
OFFICE/UTILITY BUILDING CONSTRUCTION AT LANDFILL**

**RFP DUE DATE:** November 26, 2013 at 4:00 p.m.

**DEPARTMENT:** Public Works

**PUBLICATION DATE:** November 2, 2013

**NO. POTENTIAL BIDDERS:** 6

**SUMMARY OF PROPOSALS RECEIVED**

**Steel Crafters, Inc.**  
Grand Island, NE

**Cleary Building Corp.**  
Grand Island, NE

**Chief Construction Company**  
Grand Island, NE

**Kleint's Building & Const. Inc.**  
Grand Island, NE

**Walton Contracting**  
Superior, NE

**Mehring Construction Company, LLC**  
Grand Island, NE

cc: John Collins, Public Works Director  
Mary Lou Brown, City Administrator  
Stacy Nonhof, Purchasing Agent

Catrina DeLosh, PW Admin. Assist.  
Jaye Monter, Finance Director  
Jeff Wattier, Solid Waste Supt.

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## AGREEMENT

THIS AGREEMENT made and entered into this 17<sup>th</sup> day of **December, 2013**, by and between **Mehring Construction Company, LLC** hereinafter called the Contractor, and the **City of Grand Island, Nebraska**, hereinafter called the City.

WITNESSETH:

THAT, WHEREAS, in accordance with law, the City has caused agreement documents to be prepared and an advertisement of a **Request for Proposals for Office/Utility Building Construction for the City of Grand Island**, and

WHEREAS, the City, in the manner prescribed by law, has publicly opened, examined, and canvassed the proposals submitted, and has determined that the aforesaid Contractor submitted the best proposal based on the evaluation criteria listed in the Request For Proposals, a copy thereof being attached to and made a part of this agreement, and has duly awarded to the said Contractor an agreement therefore, for the sum or sums named in the **Office/Utility Building Construction Proposal Form** with terms & conditions submitted by the Contractor, a copy thereof being attached to and made a part of this agreement;

NOW, THEREFORE, in consideration of the compensation to be paid to the Contractor and of the mutual agreements herein contained, the parties have agreed and hereby agree, the City for itself and its successors, and the Contractor for itself, himself/herself, or themselves, and its, his/hers, or their successors, as follows:

ARTICLE I. That the Contractor shall (a) furnish all tools, equipment, superintendence, transportation, and other construction materials, services and facilities; (b) furnish, as agent for the City, all materials, supplies and equipment specified and required to be incorporated in and form a permanent part of the completed work; (c) provide and perform all necessary labor; and (d) in a good substantial and workmanlike manner and in accordance with the requirements, stipulations, provisions, and conditions of the agreement documents as listed in the attached **Request for Proposals for Office/Utility Building Construction for the City of Grand Island** and in the attached **Office/Utility Building Construction Proposal Form** as Submitted by the Contractor; said documents forming the agreement and being as fully a part thereof as if repeated verbatim herein, perform, execute, construct and complete all work included in and covered by the City's official award of this agreement to the said Contractor, such award being based on the acceptance by the City of the Contractor's proposal;

ARTICLE II. That the City shall pay to the Contractor for the performance of the work embraced in this agreement and the Contractor will accept as full compensation therefore the sum of **SIXTY FIVE THOUSAND FOUR HUNDRED EIGHTY EIGHT 60/100 Dollars (\$65,488.60)** for all services, materials and work covered by and included in the agreement award and designated in the foregoing Article I; payments thereof to be made in cash or its equivalent in the manner provided in the agreement.

ARTICLE III. The Contractor hereby agrees to act as agent for the City in purchasing materials and supplies for the City for this project. The City shall be obligated to the vendor of the materials and supplies for the purchase price, but the contractor shall handle all payments hereunder on behalf of the City. The vendor shall make demand or claim for payment of the purchase price from the City by submitting an invoice to the Contractor. Title to all materials and supplies purchased hereunder shall vest in the City directly from the vendor. Regardless of the method of payment, title shall vest immediately in the City. The Contractor shall not acquire title to any materials and supplies incorporated into the project. All invoices shall bear the contractor's name as agent for the City. This paragraph will apply only to these materials and supplies actually incorporated into and becoming a part of the

finished product of attached **Request for Proposals for Office/Utility Building Construction for the City of Grand Island.**

ARTICLE IV. That the Contractor shall start work as soon as possible after the agreement is signed.

ARTICLE V. The Contractor agrees to comply with all applicable State fair labor standards in the execution of this agreement as required by Section 73-102, R.R.S. 1943. The Contractor further agrees to comply with the provisions of Section 48-657, R.R.S. 1943, pertaining to contributions to the Unemployment Compensation Fund of the State of Nebraska. During the performance of this agreement, the Contractor and all Sub Contractors agree not to discriminate in hiring or any other employment practice on the basis of race, color, religion, gender, national origin, age or disability. The Contractor agrees to comply with all applicable Local, State and Federal rules and regulations.

ARTICLE VI. The City of Grand Island, Nebraska operates on a fiscal year beginning October 1st and ending on the following September 30th. It is understood and agreed that any portion of this agreement which will be performed in a future fiscal year is contingent upon the City Council adopting budget statements and appropriations sufficient to fund such performance.

ARTICLE VII. GRATUITIES AND KICKBACKS: City Code states that it is unethical for any person to offer, give, or agree to give any City employee or former City employee, or for any City employee or former City employee to solicit, demand, accept, or agree to accept from another person, a gratuity or an offer of employment in connection with any decision, approval, disapproval, recommendation, or preparation of any part of a program requirement or a purchase request, influencing the content of any specification or procurement standard, rendering of advice, investigation, auditing, or in any other advisory capacity in any proceeding or application, request for ruling, determination, claim or controversy, or other particular matter, pertaining to any program requirement or an agreement or sub agreement, or to any solicitation or proposal therefore. It shall be unethical for any payment, gratuity, or offer of employment to be made by or on behalf of a Sub Consultant under an agreement to the prime Consultant or higher tier Sub Consultant or any person associated therewith, as an inducement for the award of a Sub Consultant to order.

ARTICLE VIII. FAIR EMPLOYMENT PRACTICES: Each proposer agrees that they will not discriminate against any employee or applicant for employment because of age, race, color, religious creed, ancestry, handicap, sex or political affiliation.

ARTICLE IX. LB 403: Every public contractor and his, her or its subcontractors who are awarded an agreement by the City for the physical performance of services within the State of Nebraska shall register with and use a federal immigration verification system to determine the work eligibility status of new employees physically performing services within the State of Nebraska.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the parties hereto have executed this Agreement as of the date and year first above written.

**Mehring Construction Company, LLC**

By \_\_\_\_\_

Title \_\_\_\_\_

**CITY OF GRAND ISLAND, NEBRASKA,**

By \_\_\_\_\_  
Jay Vavricek, Mayor

Attest: \_\_\_\_\_  
RaNae Edwards, City Clerk

The agreement is in due form according to law and is hereby approved.

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Stacy R. Nonhof, Asst. City Attorney

## **APPENDIX A – TITLE VI NON-DISCRIMINATION -**

During the performance of this agreement, the contractor, for itself, its assignees and successors in interest (hereinafter referred to as the "contractor") agrees as follows:

- (1) **Compliance with Regulations:** The contractor shall comply with the Regulation relative to nondiscrimination in Federally-assisted programs of the Department of Transportation (hereinafter, "DOT") Title 49, Code of Federal Regulations, Part 21, and the Federal Highway Administration (hereinafter "FHWA") Title 23, Code of Federal Regulations, Part 200 as they may be amended from time to time, (hereinafter referred to as the Regulations), which are herein incorporated by reference and made a part of this agreement.
- (2) **Nondiscrimination:** The Contractor, with regard to the work performed by it during the agreement, shall not discriminate on the grounds of race, color, or national origin, sex, age, and disability/handicap in the selection and retention of subcontractors, including procurements of materials and leases of equipment. The contractor shall not participate either directly or indirectly in the discrimination prohibited by 49 CFR, section 21.5 of the Regulations, including employment practices when the agreement covers a program set forth in Appendix B of the Regulations.
- (3) **Solicitations for Subcontractors, Including Procurements of Materials and Equipment:** In all solicitations either by competitive bidding or negotiation made by the contractor for work to be performed under a subagreement, including procurements of materials or leases of equipment, each potential subcontractor or supplier shall be notified by the contractor of the contractor's obligations under this agreement and the Regulations relative to nondiscrimination on the grounds of race, color, or national origin, sex, age, and disability/handicap.
- (4) **Information and Reports:** The contractor shall provide all information and reports required by the Regulations or directives issued pursuant thereto, and shall permit access to its books, records, accounts, other sources of information, and its facilities as may be determined by the City of Grand Island or the FHWA to be pertinent to ascertain compliance with such Regulations, orders and instructions. Where any information required of a contractor is in the exclusive possession of another who fails or refuses to furnish this information the contractor shall so certify to the City of Grand Island, or the FHWA as appropriate, and shall set forth what efforts it has made to obtain the information.
- (5) **Sanctions for Noncompliance:** In the event of the contractor's noncompliance with the nondiscrimination provisions of this agreement, the City of Grand Island shall impose such agreement sanctions as it or the FHWA may determine to be appropriate, including, but not limited to:
  - (a.) withholding of payments to the contractor under the agreement until the contractor complies, and/or
  - (b.) cancellation, termination or suspension of the agreement, in whole or in part.
- (6) **Incorporation of Provisions:** The contractor shall include the provisions of paragraphs (1) through (6) in every subagreement, including procurements of materials and leases of equipment, unless exempt by the Regulations, or directives issued pursuant thereto.

The contractor shall take such action with respect to any subagreement or procurement as the City of Grand Island or the FHWA may direct as a means of enforcing such provisions including sanctions for non-compliance: Provided, however, that, in the event a contractor becomes involved in, or is threatened with, litigation with a subcontractor or supplier as a result of such direction, the contractor may request the City of Grand Island to enter into such litigation to protect the interests of the City of Grand Island, and, in addition, the contractor may request the United States to enter into such litigation to protect the interests of the United States.



RESOLUTION 2013-399

WHEREAS, the City of Grand Island invited proposals for office/utility building construction, according to Request for Proposals on file with the Solid Waste Division of the Public Works Department; and

WHEREAS, on November 26, 2013 proposals were received, reviewed, and evaluated in accordance with established criteria; and

WHEREAS, Mehring Construction Company, LLC of , Grand Island, Nebraska submitted a proposal in accordance with the terms of the Request for Proposals and all statutory requirements contained therein and the City Procurement Code with the work performed at actual costs with a maximum of \$65,488.60.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE MAYOR AND COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF GRAND ISLAND, NEBRASKA, that the proposal of Mehring Construction Company, LLC of Grand Island, Nebraska for office/utility building construction is hereby approved.

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

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Adopted by the City Council of the City of Grand Island, Nebraska, December 17, 2013.

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Jay Vavricek, Mayor

Attest:

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RaNae Edwards, City Clerk

Approved as to Form	☐ _____
December 13, 2013	☐ City Attorney