

City of Grand Island

Tuesday, August 12, 2003 Council Session

Item G20

#2003-228- Approving Bid Award - Coal Storage Retention Pond

Background:

As part of storm water management at the Platte Generating Station, rainwater from the coal storage area drains to a retention pond. In the past, water from this pond had been pumped to the ash storage area for dust control. The Nebraska Department of Environmental Quality has recently modified the operating conditions for the ash storage area, and no longer allows water to be pumped to the area because of concerns of its effect on groundwater. The water in the coal area retention pond has a high level of suspended coal particles and is not suitable in its raw form for discharge to the Platte River with other plant waste streams.

Specifications were drafted by our consultants, Olsson Associates, to design and construct an additional coal storage retention pond at Platte Generating Station. This pond allows additional storage area and incorporates a flocculation system that will allow the suspended coal to be removed. Request for bids were advertised and sent out in accordance with City purchasing procedures.

Discussion:

Specifications were sent out to bidders with the following responses received. The engineer's estimate for this project was \$500,000.

1) Bidder: Diamond Engineering, Co. - Bid Amount \$484,800; 2)Bidder: Strobel Construction - Bid Amount \$512,772; 3)Bidder: Judds Brothers Construction - Bid Amount \$584,500.

Recommendation:

The bids were reviewed for compliance with the City's detailed specifications and all bids are considered acceptable. It is the recommendation of the Utilities Department that Diamond Engineering Company from Grand Island, Nebraska be awarded the contract for this work in the amount of \$484,800.00.

Fiscal Effects:

Expenditure of \$484,800 of Enterprise Fund 520.

Alternatives:

None recommended. See attached RESOLUTION.

Staff Contact: Gary Mader; Dale Shotkoski

City of Grand Island City Council

Purchasing Division of Legal Department INTEROFFICE MEMORANDUM



Dale M. Shotkoski, Assistant City Attorney

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BID OPENING

BID OPENING DATE: August 1, 2003 at 11:00 a.m.

FOR: Coal Storage Retention Pond - PGS

DEPARTMENT: Utilities

ENGINEER'S ESTIMATE: \$500,000.00

FUND/ACCOUNT: Enterprise 520

PUBLICATION DATE: July 12, 2003

NO. POTENTIAL BIDDERS: 29

SUMMARY

Bidder: Judds Brothers Construction Diamond Engineering Co.

Lincoln, NE Grand Island, NE

Bid Security: Travelers Casualty Travelers Casualty

Exceptions: None Noted

Bid Price: \$584,500.00 \$484,800.00

Bidder: Strobel Construction

Clarks, NE

Bid Security: Union Insurance Co.

Exceptions: None

Bid Price: \$512,772.00

cc: Gary Mader, Utilities Director

Bob Smith, Assistant Utilities Director

RESOLUTION 2003-228

WHEREAS, the City of Grand Island invited sealed bids for Coal Storage Retention Pond, according to plans and specifications on file with the Purchasing Division of the Legal Department; and

WHEREAS, on August 1, 2003, bids were received, opened and reviewed; and

WHEREAS, the Diamond Engineering Company of Grand Island, 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 \$484,800.00; and

WHEREAS, the Diamond Engineering Company's bid is less than the engineer's estimate for such project.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE MAYOR AND COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF GRAND ISLAND, NEBRASKA, that the bid of the Diamond Engineering Company of Grand Island, Nebraska, in the amount of \$484,800.00 for coal storage retention pond at the Platte Generating Station is hereby approved as the lowest responsible bid.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that a contract for such project between the City and such contractor be entered into, and 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, August 12, 2003.

RaNae Edwards, City Clerk