

City of Grand Island

Tuesday, April 13, 2004 Council Session

Item G14

#2004-78 - Approving Bid Award for 35,000 GVW Cab and Chassis and 10 Cubic Yard Vacuum Catch Basin Cleaner

Staff Contact: Steve P. Riehle, P.E. Public Works Director

City of Grand Island City Council

Council Agenda Memo

From: Steven P. Riehle, P.E., Director of Public Works

Dale Shotkoski, Assistant City Attorney

Meeting: April 13, 2004

Subject: Approval of Bid Award for 35,000 GVW Cab and

Chassis and 10 Cubic Yard Vacuum Catch Basin Cleaner

Item #'s: G-14

Presenter(s): Steven P. Riehle, P.E., Director of Public Works

Background

On March 5, 2004 the Street & Transportation Division of the Public Works Department advertised for bids for the purchase of a 35,000 GVW Cab and Chassis and 10 Cubic Yard Vacuum Catch Basin Cleaner to replace an existing 1992 unit.

Discussion

A total of six bids from two different vendors were received and opened on March 23, 2004. The Street & Transportation Division of the Public Works Department and the Purchasing Division of the City Attorney's Office have reviewed the bids that were received. The two bids received from Elliott Equipment are for a unit that will clean catch basins but will not effectively pick up milled asphalt on the street. There are numerous exceptions to the specifications. The unit we currently have (a Vac-All) does both jobs very well. The Street Division asphalt crew spends about six months each year using the unit to pick up milled asphalt when patching. It is essential that we have a unit capable of both cleaning catch basins and asphalt work as well. The four units bid by Mid-Iowa are all the same vacuum unit (a Vac-All); only the chassis are different. Due to emission standard changes for 2005, their lowest bid does not meet the engine horsepower or torque requirements. Their second lowest bid is on a chassis that meets all specifications except one very minor one. The catch basin unit meets all specifications. A summary of the bids is shown on the following page.

Bidder	Exceptions	Total Bid
Mid-Iowa Companies	Does not meet	
Johnston, IA (Vac-All on Sterling Cargo)	specifications	\$137,596.00
Mid-Iowa Companies		
Johnston, IA (Vac-All on GMC T-7500)	Minor	\$140,015.00
Mid-Iowa Companies	Does not meet	
Johnston, IA (Vac-All on GMC T-8500)	specifications	\$142,891.00
Mid-Iowa Companies		
Johnston, IA (Vac-All on Sterling Condor)	None	\$152,120.00
Elliott Equipment	Does not meet	
Lincoln, NE (Vac-Con on Sterling L7501)	specifications	\$116,600.00
Elliott Equipment	Does not meet	
Lincoln, NE (Vac-Con on Freightliner M2)	specifications	\$121,513.10

There are sufficient funds for this purchase in Account No. 10033501-85625.

Alternatives

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

- 1. Approve the purchase of the Vac/All on a GMC T-7500 chassis.
- 2. Disapprove or /Deny the purchase of the Vac/All on a GMC T-7500 chassis.
- 3. Table the issue.

Recommendation

City Administration recommends that the Council approve the purchase of the Vac/All on a GMC T-7500 chassis including trade-in in the amount of \$140,015.00 from Mid-Iowa Companies of Johnston, Iowa.

Sample Motion

Approve the purchase of the Vac/All on a GMC T-7500 chassis from Mid-Iowa Companies of Johnston, Iowa in the amount of \$140,015.00.

Purchasing Division of Legal Department

INTEROFFICE MEMORANDUM



Dale M. Shotkoski, Assistant City Attorney

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BID OPENING

BID OPENING DATE: March 23, 2004 at 11:00 a.m.

FOR: (1) 35,000 GVW Cab & Chassis with Vacuum

DEPARTMENT: Public Works

ESTIMATE: \$144,400.00

FUND/ACCOUNT: 10033501-85625

PUBLICATION DATE: March 5, 2004

NO. POTENTIAL BIDDERS: 5

SUMMARY

Bidder:	Elliott Equipment	Elliott Equipment
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Lincoln, NE Lincoln, NE

Bid Security: Merchants Bonding Company Merchants Bonding Company

Exceptions: Noted Noted

 Base Bid Price:
 \$150,600.00
 \$155,513.10

 Trade-in:
 \$34,000.00
 \$34,000.00

 Adjusted Bid:
 \$116,600.00
 \$121,513.10

Bidder: Mid-Iowa Companies

Johnston, IA

Bid Security: Cashier's Check

Exceptions: None

	<u>Bid 1</u>	<u>Bid 2</u>	<u>Bid 3</u>	<u>Bid 4</u>
Base Bid Price:	\$155,796.00	\$158,215.00	\$161,091.90	\$170,320.00
Trade-in:	\$ 18,200.00	\$ 18,200.00	\$ 18,200.00	\$ 18,200.00
Adjusted Bid:	\$137,596.00	\$140,015.00	\$142,891.00	\$152,120.00

cc: Steve Riehle, Public Works Director

Scott Johnson, Street Superintendent Gary Greer, City Administrator Dale Shotkoski, Purchasing Agent Laura Berthelsen, Legal Assistant

RESOLUTION 2004-78

WHEREAS, the City of Grand Island invited sealed bids for one 35,000 GVW Cab Cab and Chassis and 10 Cubic Yard Vacuum Catch Basin Cleaner for the Street and Transportation Division, according to plans and specifications on file with Street Division; and

WHEREAS, on March 23, 2004, bids were received, opened and reviewed; and

WHEREAS, Mid-Iowa Companies of Johnston, Iowa, 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 \$140,015 for one Vac-All with a GMC T-7500 chassis; and

WHEREAS, Mid-Iowa Companies' bid is less than the estimate for such vehicle.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE MAYOR AND COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF GRAND ISLAND, NEBRASKA, that the bid of Mid-Iowa Companies of Johnston, Iowa, in the amount of \$140,015 for one 35,000 GVW Cab Cab and GMC T-7500 Chassis and 10 Cubic Yard Vacuum Catch Basin Cleaner is hereby approved as the lowest responsible bid.

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Adopted by the City Council of the City of Grand Island, Nebraska, April 13, 2004.

RaNae Edwards, City Clerk