



City of Grand Island

Tuesday, September 28, 2004

Council Session

Item G16

#2004-248 - Approving Agreement with Kirkham Michael & Associates, Inc. for Consulting Services Relative to Railroad Corridor Study

Staff Contact: Steve Riehle, City Engineer/Public Works Director

Council Agenda Memo

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

Meeting: September 28, 2004

Subject: Approving Agreement with Kirkham Michael & Associates, Inc. for Consulting Services Relative to Railroad Corridor Study

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

Background

Proposals were solicited from Consulting Engineering Companies for performing a Railroad Corridor Safety study. Eight (8) proposals were received.

Discussion

A committee comprised of Public Works Director Steve Riehle, Executive Assistant Paul Briseno, Civil Engineering Manager Ron Underwood & Engineering Technician Supervisor Tom Carlson conducted interviews with two firms during the week of September 13, 2004. Kirkham Michael & Associates, Inc. of Omaha, Nebraska was chosen and an agreement was negotiated for the work to be performed at actual costs with a maximum amount of \$123,500.

Alternatives

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

1. Approve a resolution authorizing the mayor to execute the agreement.
2. Disapprove or/Deny the resolution.
3. Modify the terms of the agreement to meet the wishes of the Council.
4. Table the issue, however, the Consultant may withdraw their proposal if there is not an agreement entered into within 45 days.

Recommendation

City Administration recommends that the Council approve agreement.

Sample Motion

Move to approve the agreement with Kirkham Michael & Associates, Inc to perform the Railroad Corridor Study

R E S O L U T I O N 2004-248

WHEREAS, the City of Grand Island invited proposals for a Railroad Corridor Safety Study in accordance with a Request for Proposal on file with the Public Works Department; and

WHEREAS, on April 7, 2004, eight proposals were received, reviewed and evaluated in accordance with established criteria; and

WHEREAS, city staff conducted interviews with two of the proposing firms; and

WHEREAS, as a result of the interviews, an agreement was negotiated with Kirkham Michael & Associates, Inc. of Omaha, Nebraska, to perform the railroad corridor study for actual costs at a not to exceed cost of \$123,500.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE MAYOR AND COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF GRAND ISLAND, NEBRASKA, that Kirkham Michael & Associates, Inc. of Omaha, Nebraska, is hereby authorized to perform a Railroad Corridor Safety Study at actual costs with a not to exceed cost of \$123,500.

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

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Adopted by the City Council of the City of Grand Island, Nebraska, September 28, 2004.

RaNae Edwards, City Clerk