



# City of Grand Island

Tuesday, August 23, 2005

Council Session

## Item G11

**#2005-239- Approving Bid Award for Construction of Two  
Bridges for Northbound Lanes on So. Locust Street North on  
Interstate 80**

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

# **Council Agenda Memo**

**From:** Parks and Recreation, Public Works, and Legal Departments

**Meeting:** August 23, 2005

**Subject:** Approving Bid Award for Two Bridges for future northbound lanes on South Locust Street north of Interstate 80

**Item #'s:** G-11

**Presenter(s)** Steve Paustian, Parks and Recreation Director  
Steven Riehle, Public Works Director

## **Background**

On June 27, 2005 the Engineering Division of the Public Works Department advertised for bids for the construction of two bridges over Platte River channels on South Locust Street. These bridges, and ultimately the northbound lanes, are required to be constructed per the agreements with the Nebraska Department of Roads (NDOR) in conjunction with the I-80 interchange construction.

## **Discussion**

Six bids were received and opened on July 21, 2005. The Engineering Division of the Public Works Department and the Purchasing Division of the City Attorney's Office reviewed the bids that were received. The bids were submitted in compliance with the contract, plans, and specifications with no exceptions. A summary of the bids is shown below.

Resolution 2005-226 awarding the contract was approved by the city council on August 9, 2005. Because Federal funds will be used to pay for 80% of the construction costs, the award of the contract has to be concurred with by NDOR. Since the concurrence was received from the NDOR on August 11<sup>th</sup>, resolution 2005-226 will need to be rescinded and a new resolution approved.

<b><i>Bidder</i></b>	<b><i>Exceptions</i></b>	<b><i>Bid Security</i></b>	<b><i>Total Bid</i></b>
BRB Contractors, Inc.	None	Travelers Casualty	\$1,328,318.40
L.J. Webb Contractor, Inc.	None	Universal Surety Company	\$1,366,924.00
Capital Contractors, Inc.	None	Universal Surety Company	\$1,521,137.00
Diamond Engineering Co.	None	Universal Surety Co.	\$1,179,155.59
A.M. Cohron & Son, Inc.	None	Merchants Bonding Co.	\$1,190,415.70
Christensen Bros. Inc.	None	Merchants Bonding Co.	\$1,449,250.00

The engineer's opinion of cost for this project was \$1,515,264.11. There are sufficient funds available in the Public Works account No. 40033530-90059.

### **Alternatives**

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

1. Approve awarding the contract for Bridge Construction to Diamond Engineering Co. of Grand Island, NE.
2. Refer the issue to a Committee.
3. Postpone the issue to a future date.
4. Take no action on the issue.

### **Recommendation**

City Administration recommends that the Council approve awarding the contract for bridge construction to the Diamond Engineering Co., of Grand Island, Nebraska, for the amount of \$1,179,155.59.

### **Sample Motion**

Move to approve the award of the contract to Diamond Engineering Company of Grand Island, Nebraska for the S. Locust Bridge Construction.

RESOLUTION 2005-239

WHEREAS, the City of Grand Island invited sealed bids for Construction of Two Bridges for northbound lanes over the Platte River channels on South Locust Street north of Interstate 80 [Project No. 2235(4)], according to plans and specifications on file with the City Engineer; and

WHEREAS, on July 21, 2005, bids were received, opened and reviewed; and

WHEREAS, The Diamond Engineering Company, Inc. 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 \$1,179,155.59; and

WHEREAS, such bid is below the engineer's estimate for such project; and

WHEREAS, on August 9, 2005, by Resolution No. 2005-226, the City of Grand Island approved the bid of the Diamond Engineering Company of Grand Island, Nebraska in the amount of \$1,179,155.59 for such project; and

WHEREAS, the Nebraska Department of Roads is required to concur with the award of the contract prior to the City's approval of such bid, however the Nebraska Department of Roads did not concur with the award of the contract until August 11, 2005; and

WHEREAS, it is necessary to rescind Resolution No. 2005-226, and to obtain approval of such bid at this time.

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, Inc. of Grand Island, Nebraska, for the construction of two bridges for northbound lanes over the Platte River channels on South Locust Street north of Interstate 80 [Project No. 2235(4)] in the amount of \$1,179,155.59 is hereby approved as the lowest responsible bid.

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

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that Resolution No. 2005-226 is hereby rescinded.

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Adopted by the City Council of the City of Grand Island, Nebraska, August 23, 2005.

RaNae Edwards, City Clerk

Approved as to Form	☐ _____
August 18, 2005	☐ City Attorney