



City of Grand Island

Tuesday, December 19, 2006

Council Session

Item G15

**#2006-364 - Approving Bid Award for Backyard Hydraulic Digger
Derrick/Bucket**

Staff Contact: Gary R. Mader; Dale Shotkoski

Council Agenda Memo

From: Gary R. Mader, Utilities Director
Dale Shotkoski, Interim City Attorney

Meeting: December 19, 2006

Subject: Bid Award – Backyard Hydraulic Digger Derrick/Bucket

Item #'s: G-15

Presenter(s): Gary R. Mader, Utilities Director

Background

The Utilities Department, Line and Underground Divisions frequently have need to set poles and transformers in very congested areas where conventional line construction equipment simply can't get into. Specialty equipment is manufactured to allow line work to be done safely and efficiently in these areas. A "Backyard Hydraulic Digger Derrick/Bucket" was included in this year's budget to replace a 1991 unit which is 16 years old and does not have the capacity or size needed. Bids for the unit were publicly advertised on Friday, November 3, 2006. Bid documents were also mailed to four potential bidders.

On Monday, November 27, 2006, three bids were received and opened. The bids were as follows:

Bidder:	Tiiger, Inc. Cedarburg, WI	S.D.P. Manufacturing, Inc. Dunkirk, IN	Terex Utilities San Antonio, TX
Exceptions:	Noted	Noted	Noted
Bid Price:	\$121,243.00	\$115,980.0	\$97,353.00

Discussion

The equipment proposed in the "as read" low bid from Terex Utilities was not compliant with the specifications in a number of requirements; size, lifting capacity, carrying capacity, height, boom rotation, and pole claw tilt.

The equipment bid from Terex Utilities was not compliant in the following areas;

1. 3,000 lbs. of lifting capacity in lieu of 3,800 lbs. specified
2. 2,000 lbs. of lifting capacity in lieu of 2,500 lbs. specified
3. Thirty-nine foot bucket working height in lieu of 44 foot specified
4. Non-continuous rotation of the hydraulic boom in lieu of continuous rotation as specified
5. No hydraulic tilt on pole claw - *NOTE: None of the bidders were able to meet this specification.*

As is evident from the foregoing comparisons, the unit bid from Terex Utilities is much smaller and less capable than the specified unit.

The second low bid, S.D.P. Manufacturing meets all specifications with the one overall exception to the pole claw tilt. S.D.P. Manufacturing is the lowest compliant bidder.

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 award the Backyard Hydraulic Digger Derrick/Bucket to the lowest compliant bidder, S.D.P. Manufacturing, Inc., of Dunkirk, Indiana in the amount of \$115,980.00.

Sample Motion

Make a motion to approve the purchase of a Backyard Hydraulic Digger Derrick/Bucket from S.D.P. Manufacturing, Inc., for \$115,980.00.



Dale M. Shotkoski, Assistant City Attorney

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BID OPENING

BID OPENING DATE: November 27, 2006 at 11:00 a.m.
FOR: Backyard Hydraulic Digger Derrick/Bucket
DEPARTMENT: Utilities
ESTIMATE: \$140,000.00
FUND/ACCOUNT: 520
PUBLICATION DATE: November 3, 2006
NO. POTENTIAL BIDDERS: 4

SUMMARY

Bidder:	<u>Tiiger, Inc.</u> Cedarburg, WI	<u>S.D.P. Manufacturing, Inc.</u> Dunkirk, IN
Exceptions:	Noted	Noted
Bid Price:	\$121,243.00	\$115,980.00

Bidder:	<u>Terex Utilities</u> San Antonio, TX
Exceptions:	Noted
Bid Price:	\$97,353.00

cc: Gary Mader, Utilities Director
Pat Gericke, Utilities Admin. Assist.
Dale Shotkoski, Purchasing Agent

Bob Smith, Assist. Utilities Director
Gary Greer, City Administrator
Sherry Peters, Legal Secretary

R E S O L U T I O N 2006-364

WHEREAS, the City of Grand Island invited sealed bids for a Backyard Hydraulic Digger Derrick/Bucket for the Utilities Department, according to specifications on file with the City Clerk's Office; and

WHEREAS, on November 27, 2006, bids were received, opened and reviewed; and

WHEREAS, S.D.P. Manufacturing of Dunkirk, Indiana, submitted a bid in accordance with the terms of the advertisement of bids and specifications and all other statutory requirements contained therein, such bid being in the amount of \$115,980.00; and

WHEREAS, such bid is below the estimate for such equipment.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE MAYOR AND COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF GRAND ISLAND, NEBRASKA, that the bid of S.D.P. Manufacturing of Dunkirk, Indiana, in the amount of \$115,980.00 for a Backyard Hydraulic Digger Derrick/Bucket is hereby approved as the lowest compliant bid.

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Adopted by the City Council of the City of Grand Island, Nebraska, December 19, 2006.

Margaret Hornady, Mayor

Attest:

RaNae Edwards, City Clerk