



City of Grand Island

Tuesday, July 11, 2006

Council Session

Item G4

**#2006-188 - Approving Bid Award for Railroad Track Repair -
Platte Generating Station, Utilities Department**

Staff Contact: Gary R. Mader; Dale Shotkoski

Council Agenda Memo

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

Meeting: July 11, 2006

Subject: Railroad Track Repair

Item #'s: G-4

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

Background

The railroad track line entering the Platte Generating Station is used to bring the coal to the power plant. The Union Pacific rail inspector has requested that the curve that starts at the end of the Union Pacific track and crosses Wildwood Drive and a private farm entrance road be rebuilt as the elevation is not correct and the spacing between the rails keeps increasing. Specifications for this track repair were developed by plant staff and issued for bids. This project will restore the track elevation, replace 450 deteriorated ties, return the rails to the correct spacing, and add gage rods to maintain the rail spacing.

Discussion

The specifications for the Railroad Track Repair were issued for bid and responses were received from the following bidders. The Engineer's estimate for this project was \$105,000.00.

<u>Bidder</u>	<u>Bid Price</u>
Railworks Track Systems, Inc., Fremont, NE	\$65,129.00
Trac-Work, Inc., New Century, KS	\$94,097.44

A-American Systems, R & S Track Maintenance, The Rails Company, and United Railroad Services Company did not respond. Judds Brothers Construction Co. declined to bid.

The bid from Railworks is complete and in accordance with the specifications.

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 bid to Railworks Track Systems, Inc. from Fremont, Nebraska, as the low responsive bidder, in the amount of \$65,129.00.

Sample Motion

Motion to approve award of Railroad Track Repair to Railworks Track Systems, Inc. in the amount of \$65,129.00.



Dale M. Shotkoski, Assistant City Attorney

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BID OPENING

BID OPENING DATE: June 27, 2006 at 11:00 a.m.
FOR: Railroad Track Repair
DEPARTMENT: Utilities
ESTIMATE: \$105,000.00
FUND/ACCOUNT: 520
PUBLICATION DATE: June 6, 2006
NO. POTENTIAL BIDDERS: 7

SUMMARY

Bidder:	<u>Trac-Work, Inc.</u> New Century, KS	<u>Railworks Track Systems, Inc.</u> Fremont, NE
Bid Security:	Fidelity and Deposit Company	Travelers Casualty & Surety Co.
Exceptions:	None	None
Base Bid Price:	\$94,097.44	\$65,129.00

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

Karen Nagel, Utilities Secretary
Gary Greer, City Administrator
Laura Berthelsen, Legal Assistant

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RESOLUTION 2006-188

WHEREAS, the City of Grand Island invited sealed bids for Railroad Track Repair, according to plans and specifications on file with the City Clerk; and

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

WHEREAS, Railworks Track Systems, Inc. of Fremont, 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 \$65,129; and

WHEREAS, Railworks Track Systems, Inc.'s bid is less than the 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 Railworks Track Systems, Inc. of Fremont, Nebraska, in the amount of \$65,129 for railroad track repair is hereby approved as the lowest responsible bid.

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Adopted by the City Council of the City of Grand Island, Nebraska, July 11, 2006.

Jay Vavricek, Mayor

Attest:

RaNae Edwards, City Clerk

Approved as to Form _____
July 6, 2006 City Attorney