



# City of Grand Island

Tuesday, January 13, 2009

Council Session

## Item G7

**#2009-1 - Approving Bid Award - Railroad Track Repair - Platte  
Generating Station**

Staff Contact: Gary R. Mader; Wesley Nespor

# Council Agenda Memo

**From:** Gary R. Mader, Utilities Director  
Wesley Nespor, Asst. City Attorney/Purchasing

**Meeting:** January 13, 2009

**Subject:** Railroad Track Repair

**Item #'s:** G-7

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

## Background

As part of normal maintenance, the rail spur at the Platte Generating Station must periodically have ties replaced and additional rail bed ballast applied. This project will restore the track elevation, replace 400 deteriorated ties and return the rails to the correct spacing. Power plant engineering staff developed specifications for this work.

## Discussion

The specifications for the Railroad Track Repair were advertised and issued for bid in accordance with the City Purchasing Code. Bids were publicly opened on December 16, 2008. Specifications were sent to three potential bidders and responses were received as listed below. The engineer's estimate for this project was \$100,000.00.

Bidder	Bid Price
Atlas Company of Lincoln, Nebraska	\$55,975.00
R & S Track Maintenance, Inc.- Columbus, NE	\$58,915.00
H & H Railroad Builder – Stockton, CA	\$61,404.00

The bids were reviewed by plant engineering staff. All bids are compliant with specifications and less than the engineer's estimate.

## 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 Contract for Railroad Track Repair to Atlas Company of Lincoln, Nebraska as the low responsive bidder, with the bid price of \$55,975.00.

### **Sample Motion**

Move to approve award of the bid of \$55,975.00 from Atlas Company of Lincoln, Nebraska for the Railroad Track Repair as submitted.



Wes Nespor, Purchasing Agent

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**BID OPENING**

**BID OPENING DATE:** December 16, 2008 at 11:00 a.m.  
**FOR:** Railroad Track Repair 2009  
**DEPARTMENT:** Utilities  
**ESTIMATE:** \$100,000.00  
**FUND/ACCOUNT:** 520  
**PUBLICATION DATE:** November 28, 2008  
**NO. POTENTIAL BIDDERS:** 3

**SUMMARY**

<b>Bidder:</b>	<b><u>R &amp; S Track Maintenance, Inc.</u></b> Columbus NE	<b><u>H &amp; H Railroad Builder</u></b> Stockton CA
<b>Bid Security:</b>	2,945.75	Liberty Mutual Ins. Co.
<b>Exceptions:</b>	None	None

<b>Bid Price:</b>		
<b>Materials:</b>	\$11,439.24	\$ 3,657.00
<b>Labor:</b>	46,675.00	57,491.00
<b>Sales Tax:</b>	<u>800.76</u>	<u>256.00</u>
<b>Total:</b>	\$58,915.00	\$61,404.00

<b>Bidder:</b>	<b><u>Atlas Company of Lincoln</u></b> Lincoln NE
<b>Bid Security:</b>	Inland Insurance Co.
<b>Exceptions:</b>	None

<b>Bid Price:</b>	
<b>Materials:</b>	\$ 6,190.00
<b>Labor:</b>	49,351.00
<b>Sales Tax:</b>	<u>434.00</u>
	\$55,975.00

cc: Gary Mader, Utilities Director  
Dale Shotkoski, City Attorney  
Jeff Pederson, City Administrator  
Karen Nagel, Utilities Secretary

Bob Smith, Assist. Utilities Director  
Wes Nesor, Purchasing Agent  
Pat Gericke, Utilities Admin. Assist.  
Rodger Zawodniak, PGS

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RESOLUTION 2009-1

WHEREAS, the City Electric Department invited sealed bids for Railroad Track Repair at Platte Generating Station; and

WHEREAS, on December 16, 2008, bids were received, opened and reviewed; and:

WHEREAS, Atlas Company of Lincoln, 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 \$55,975.00; and;

WHEREAS, the bid of Atlas Company of Lincoln, is less than the estimate for Railroad Track Repair at Platte Generating Station.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE MAYOR AND COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF GRAND ISLAND, NEBRASKA, that the bid of Atlas Company of Lincoln, Nebraska, in the amount of \$55,975.00 for Railroad Track Repair at Platte Generating Station is hereby approved as the lowest responsible bid.

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Adopted by the City Council of the City of Grand Island, Nebraska, January 13, 2009.

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Margaret Hornady, Mayor

Attest:

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RaNae Edwards, City Clerk

Approved as to Form    ☐ \_\_\_\_\_  
January 7, 2009        ☐ City Attorney