



# City of Grand Island

Tuesday, August 28, 2012

Council Session

## Item G4

**#2012-222 - Approving Bid Award - Coal Transfer #4 Transfer  
Point Upgrade at Platte Generating Station**

Staff Contact: Tim Luchsinger, Jason Eley

# **Council Agenda Memo**

**From:** Timothy G. Luchsinger, Utilities Director  
Jason Eley, Assistant City Attorney

**Meeting Date:** August 28, 2012

**Subject:** Coal Conveyor #4 Transfer Point Upgrade

**Item #'s:** G-4

**Presenter(s):** Timothy G. Luchsinger, Utilities Director

## **Background**

Platte Generating Station utilizes a conveyor system to transport coal from the point where train cars unload to the coal storage pile and additional conveyors to the coal storage bunkers. The conveyor system consists of five separate conveyors. The five transfer points where coal is transferred from one conveyor to another are in need of upgrades to alleviate airborne dust, minimize maintenance, and provide a higher level of safety for plant personnel. Modifications to the first two transfer points are being completed during this fiscal year. Specifications were developed by the plant staff for upgrading the second two transfer points with a firm, lump sum pricing on the fourth transfer point with optional pricing for the third transfer point.

## **Discussion**

The specifications for the Coal Conveyor #4 Transfer Point Upgrade were advertised and issued for bid in accordance with the City purchasing code. Bids were publicly opened on August 21, 2012. Specifications were sent to four potential bidders and responses were received as listed below. The engineer's estimate for this project was \$150,000.00.

Bidder	Bid Price	Optional Bid	Total Bid
Martin Engineering Neponset, IL	\$ 72,018.49	\$55,703.13	\$127,721.62

The bid was reviewed by plant engineering staff. Exceptions noted for locations of structural supports are acceptable, and the bid is otherwise 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 Coal Conveyor #4 Transfer Point Upgrade to Martin Engineering of Neponset, IL, as the low responsive bidder, with the total bid price of \$127,721.62.

## **Sample Motion**

Move to approve the bid award of \$127,721.62 from Martin Engineering for the Coal Conveyor #4 Transfer Point Upgrade as submitted.



Jason Eley, Purchasing Agent

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**BID OPENING**

**BID OPENING DATE:** August 21, 2012 at 2:00 p.m.  
**FOR:** Coal Conveyor #4 Transfer Point Upgrade - PGS  
**DEPARTMENT:** Utilities  
**ESTIMATE:** \$150,000.00  
**FUND/ACCOUNT:** 520  
**PUBLICATION DATE:** August 4, 2012  
**NO. POTENTIAL BIDDERS:** 1

**SUMMARY**

**Bidder:** Martin Engineering  
Neponset, IL  
**Bid Security:** Cashier's Check  
**Exceptions:** Noted  
  
**Material:** \$37,295.00  
**Labor:** \$30,012.00  
**Sales Tax:** \$ 4,711.49  
**Total Bid:** \$72,018.49  
**Alternate Bid** \$55,703.13

cc: Tim Luchsinger, Utilities Director  
Jason Eley, Purchasing Agent  
Ryan Schmitz, Water Supt.

Bob Smith, Assist. Utilities Director  
Pat Gericke, Utilities Admin. Assist.

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RESOLUTION 2012-222

WHEREAS, the City of Grand Island invited sealed bids for Coal Conveyor #4 Transfer Point Upgrade at Platte Generating Station, according to plans and specifications on file with the Utilities Department; and

WHEREAS, on August 21, 2012, bids were received, opened and reviewed; and

WHEREAS, Martin Engineering, of Neponset, Illinois, 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 \$127,721.62; and

WHEREAS, the bid of \$127,721.62 is less than the estimate for the Coal Conveyor #4 Transfer Point Upgrade 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 Martin Engineering of Neponset, Illinois, in the amount of \$127,721.62 for Coal Conveyor #4 Transfer Point Upgrade is hereby approved as the lowest responsible bid.

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Adopted by the City Council of the City of Grand Island, Nebraska, August 28, 2012.

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Jay Vavricek, Mayor

Attest:

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RaNae Edwards, City Clerk

Approved as to Form	☐ _____
August 24, 2012	☐ City Attorney