



January 29, 2018

Steven Peterson, P.E.
Capital Projects Coordinator
City of Gillette
201 E. 5th Street
Gillette, WY 82718

RE: Interstate Industrial Park L.I.D. & Street Improvements

Dear Steve,

The purpose of this letter is to provide to the City of Gillette the Engineer's recommendation for award of the Interstate Industrial Park L.I.D. & Street Improvements Project. A bid opening for this project was conducted on Thursday January 25, 2018 at City of Gillette Purchasing. The following is a brief summary of our post-bid activities for this project.

Review of Bids. Below is a list of the five bids that were received for this project.

Schedule	DRM	Hot Iron	PRC	COP Wyoming	Mountain View Building
A	\$1,381,913.86	\$1,593,468.21	\$1,117,682.00	\$1,451,127.00	\$1,731,108.00
B	\$1,589,999.00	\$1,673,176.63	\$2,206,095.00	\$1,621,998.00	\$2,243,762.00
C	\$767,760.71	\$949,530.60	\$672,110.75	\$762,924.00	\$821,712.13
Total	\$3,739,673.57	\$4,216,175.44	\$3,995,887.75	\$3,836,049.00	\$4,796,582.13

The low bidder is DRM, Inc. with a total bid of \$3,739,673.57. The low bid is under the overall budget for construction inclusive of contingency.

We have tabulated all bids and formatted them in an Excel spreadsheet for price verification and comparison purposes; a copy of the spreadsheet is attached. DRM's overall bid is about 2.5% under the next lowest bidder and most of their bid items are under the averages for the project. The total low bid is about \$94,400.00 higher than DOWL's estimate of the probable construction cost. The second low bid total for the project by COP Wyoming is \$96,375.43 higher than the low bid. PRC, Inc had a rounding error in the total price for Bid Schedule C by \$0.25 but it did not disqualify them from the Bid.

The bid for Schedule B (Water System Improvements) is within 4% of the engineer's estimate for that schedule and is less than the contract price estimate outlined in ordinance 3937. This should allow the L.I.D. process to be completed under the established overall budget and assessments.

DRM's bid package included acknowledgement of Addendum #1 and #2, a completed and signed Bid Form, and Bid Security in the form of an original Bid Bond. DRM, Inc. is registered with the Wyoming Secretary of State's Office, with their official place of business listed as 2920 Garman Rd. PO Box 1002 in Gillette Wyoming.

Wyoming Residency. DRM is claiming Wyoming Residency for an in-state preference on this project. All bidders were claiming Wyoming Residency so Wyoming Preference is not a consideration in this recommendation for award.

Contractor Licensing. DRM, Inc. is currently a licensed category C Contractor with the City of Gillette.

In summary, DOWL has performed our post-bid evaluation of the bids and other requirements and it appears we have a low bid under the overall budget. In talking with Kenny McKillop of DRM, Inc., he indicated DRM is comfortable with their bid numbers and they are ready to proceed with the project.

It is therefore the recommendation of DOWL that the City of Gillette award the contract for the Interstate Industrial Park L.I.D. & Street Improvements to DRM, Inc. for a total amount of \$3,739,673.57 once concurrence from SRF is received.

Please call if you wish to discuss any aspects of this project, the bids, or the contractor. We look forward to starting the construction phase and seeing this project successfully completed for the City, SRF and our community.

Sincerely,



Adam Spindler, P.E.
Project Manager

Attachments:
Contractor's Bid Tabulation & Comparison Data