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February 7, 2020

Mr. Todd Merchen  
City of Gillette  
201 E. 5th Street  
Gillette, WY 82716

Re: **2020 PMS**  
**Project No. 20EN06 – Bid Opening Results**

Dear Mr. Merchen:

Bids for the above project were received at the City of Gillette Purchasing Office until 2:00 p.m., Wednesday, February 5<sup>th</sup>, 2020 at which time they were opened and read aloud. The following bids were submitted for consideration:

| Bidder            | Bid                    | Alternate                                |
|-------------------|------------------------|--|
| PRC, Inc.         | <b>\$ 2,616,212.48</b> | B - 6.5" Portland Cement Concrete Paving |
| Croell, Inc.      | \$ 2,969,176.35        | A - 6.5" Asphaltic Concrete Paving       |
| Simon Contractors | \$ 2,646,345.65        | A - 6.5" Asphaltic Concrete Paving       |

The Engineer's opinion of probable construction costs, as prepared by KLJ, was estimated at \$3,044,936.50.

Review of the submitted bids found bid form discrepancies in the apparent low bid of PRC, Inc. Math errors were found in the following two bid items, 2" Asphaltic Concrete Paving and 4" Asphaltic Concrete Paving. A unit price of \$11.90 was provided for 2" Asphalt Concrete Paving, but the total was not added into the bid. This bid item increases the total bid by \$80,515.40. A math error occurred in the 4" Asphaltic Concrete Paving item, increasing the bid by \$1,790.95. Overall, the apparent low bid increased by \$82,306.35. Per Section 00200 – Instruction to Bidders, Article 14 Section 14.01.C. – Discrepancies between the multiplication of units of work and unit prices will be resolved in favor of the unit prices. Discrepancies between the indicated sum of any column of figures and the correct sum thereof will be resolved in favor of the correct sum. The adjustments confirm Simon Contractors as the lowest responsive bid.

| Bidder            | Bid                    |
|-------------------|------------------------|
| PRC, Inc.         | \$ 2,698,518.83        |
| Croell, Inc.      | \$ 2,969,176.35        |
| Simon Contractors | <b>\$ 2,646,345.65</b> |

KLJ considers the remaining bidders of Simon Contractors and Croell, Inc. to be responsive bids with no formal or informal discrepancies found. Simon Contractors is the low bidder with a bid price of \$2,646,345.65.



### **Bid Price Comparison**

A bid tabulation of comparable unit pricing is attached. The largest disparity in pricing between the Engineer's opinion of probable cost and the low bidder is found in the following bid items:

- 18" Paved Road Subgrade Processing
- 6.5" Asphaltic Concrete Paving
- Install Handicap Ramp and Landing (6")

The total difference between the bid of Simon Contractors and the Engineer's opinion of probable cost for these bid items is \$249,511.00.

The low bid received was \$398,590.85 lower than the Engineer's Estimate; this is approximately 13.0%. The high bid received was approximately \$75,760.15 (2.4%) lower than the Engineer's Estimate.

The bid items Mobilization, Removal of Existing Asphalt, Imported Borrow (Sand) and Alternate A versus Alternate B provided the greatest separation between Simon Contractors confirmed low bid and that of the second lowest bidder, PRC, Inc.

### **Bid Analysis**

Upon review of the bids, the project was discussed with Nate Wilson of Simon Contractors and he has confirmed that they are comfortable with their bid. Simon Contractors is a quality and reputable contractor who has the means available to complete this project within the provided schedule. They plan to have the Notice to Proceed issued on or near April 15, weather depending.

KLJ will defer to the City's legal counsel for a final determination and recommendation.

Sincerely,

**KLJ**

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read 'Adrienne Hahn', written in a cursive style.

Adrienne Hahn, PE  
Project Manager