

Memo

To: City Administration/City Council

From: Mark Sollenberger/Water & Wastewater Director

Date: May 14, 2021

Re: Bid award ("Materials") for 2021 Water Main Replacement Project

This memo is to recommend that city council award the "Materials" bid for the 2021 Water Main Replacement Project. The bids for the materials portion of this project were received on 5-11-2021. There were three vendors who staff sent bid packets to, and they ended up being the only ones who submitted bids for the "Materials" needed for the 2021 Water Main Replacement Project. The Water Main Replacement Project is a water fund capital budgeted project for 2021, with a total budget amount of \$1,050,000.00. A DOLA grant of \$400,000.00 is helping fund this capital project. During staff's preliminary review of the three bids, there were some mistakes discovered in the two lowest bids. These vendors were contacted to make corrections and resubmit a revised/corrected bid total. Their revised/corrected bids changed the lowest bidder from Core & Main to GJP at a corrected/final total bid of \$143,388.31. Another thing to note however is that product availability, especially for PVC pipe and 1" K-copper, is now being estimated to take 6 or more weeks to be delivered from the date it's ordered. Along with this, pricing for PVC water main pipe cannot be guaranteed for very long due to the present volatility of the market. These last couple issues could have an adverse effect on the project in general, and especially its anticipated completion date.

My recommendation is to award this bid to Grand Junction Pipe (GJP) the lowest bidder for the "materials" required for the Water Main Replacement Project at a total final bid cost of \$143,388.31. Approval of this bid will supply the materials necessary to correct three major problem areas totaling about 3400 linear feet in the water distribution system. Below is a bid tab sheet for your review. Thank you in advance for considering this request.

<u>Vendor</u>	<u>Initial Bid Amount</u>	<u>Final/Corrected Bid Total</u>
Core & Main	\$128,702.75	\$149,047.25
Grand Junction Pipe	\$137,185.07	\$143,388.31
Grand Junction WinWater	\$147,164.14	\$147,164.14