

Yando, Lori

From: Nathan, Garry
Sent: Thursday, March 3, 2022 7:32 AM
To: Yando, Lori; Primeau, Amanda; Kremer, Brian
Subject: Bid on Mohawk-Hudson Bike Trail GI Corridor Project
Attachments: 2022-03-01_Mohawk-Hudson-GI-Corridor_Recommendation-for-Award revised.pdf

Please see the revised bid award number as EFC will not fund Alternate #1 so we are not including it in the project. The new number is \$2,390,250.00



March 1, 2022

Garry Nathan, P.E.
City Engineer
97 Mohawk Street
Cohoes, New York 12047

**RE: RECOMMENDATION FOR AWARD – CITY OF COHOES
MOHAWK-HUDSON BIKE TRAIL GREEN INFRASTRUCTURE CORRIDOR PROJECT
CHA FILE: 069181**

Dear Mr. Nathan:

On Friday, February 18, 2022, the City of Cohoes received bids for the above referenced project.

The work site is located along the corridor of the Mohawk-Hudson Bike Trail between Lansing Lane and Johnston Avenue. The work includes providing all labor, materials, machinery, tools, equipment and other means of construction necessary and incidental to the completion of the work shown on the plans and described in the specifications including, but not necessarily limited to the following: construction of a series of interconnected stormwater green infrastructure practices along the bike trail, construction of stormwater outlet control structures and culverts beneath the bike trail, trenchless culvert installations beneath Vliet Street and Johnston Avenue, associated surface restoration of the bike trail and installation of proposed landscaping plantings and surface features.

The bid included a Lump Sum Bid which consisted of the base bid and a \$200,000 contingency allowance, Add Alternate #1 (for the furnishing and installation of granite block seats) and Add Alternate #2 (for the furnishing and installation of a 12" valved PVC pipe connection to Structure #1). Five bids were received and are summarized on the attached spreadsheet.

New Castle Paving, LLC (New Castle) was the apparent low bidder of the Lump Sum Base Bid, as well as the total sum amount of the Lump Sum Base Bid, Add Alternate #1 and Add Alternate #2, for the project. During our review of New Castles' bid submission, a discrepancy was observed for the Lump Sum Bid price noted on their submitted bid form. The discrepancy is listed below:

1. New Castle submitted a written Lump Sum Bid amount of "Two Million Three Hundred Ninety Five Thousand Nine Hundred Fifty Dollars" and they submitted a numerical Lump Sum Bid amount of \$2,382,000.00.

New Castle acknowledged the bid form error via an email to CHA on 2/24/2022 and confirmed the Lump Sum Bid amount of \$2,382,000.00 is the correct base bid amount.

After reviewing the qualifications of the apparent low bidder and receiving confirmation from New Castle of the Lump Sum Bid amount, we conclude that New Castle appears qualified to perform the work as defined in the Contract Documents. As such, it is our recommendation that the Lump Sum Bid and Add Alternate #2 work be awarded to New Castle based on the Lump Sum Bid plus Add Alternate #2 amount of \$2,390,250.00. We do not recommend Add Alternate #1 be accepted as part of this project Contract. Please note that the Award of Contract should be made pending the City of Cohoes' acceptance of the Contractor's initial MWBE documentation and fulfillment of any necessary obligations for final securing of the project financing.

We ask that the City confirm any legal and bid requirements of the bidder prior to award of the contract. Should you have any questions or need anything further, please do not hesitate to contact me at (518) 453-8733 or swatson@chacompanies.com.

Sincerely,



Seth H. Watson, P.E.
Project Engineer

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