

Mayor and Council Communication

DATE: 09/27/22

M&C FILE NUMBER: M&C 22-0749

LOG NAME: 13P22-0135 LG DIAMETER SEWER INSPECTION & CLEANING SV WATER LSJ

SUBJECT

(ALL) Authorize Purchase Agreement for Large Diameter Sewer Inspection and Cleaning Services with Ace Pipe Cleaning, Inc., for an Annual Amount Up to \$2,500,000.00 and Authorize Four Annual Renewal Options for the Same Annual Amount for the Water Department

RECOMMENDATION:

It is recommended that the City Council authorize a purchase agreement for large diameter sewer inspection and cleaning services with Ace Pipe Cleaning, Inc., for an annual amount up to \$2,500,000.00 and authorize four annual renewal options for the same annual amount for the Water Department.

DISCUSSION:

The Water Department approached the Purchasing Division to finalize an annual agreement for large diameter sewer inspection and cleaning services. Under the proposed Agreement, the vendor will inspect and provide cleaning services for the City's sanitary sewer lines on an as needed basis. In order to procure these services, Purchasing issued Invitation to Bid (ITB) No. 22-0135. The ITB consisted of detailed specifications describing the vendor's responsibilities and requirements to inspect and clean the sewer lines throughout the City.

The ITB was advertised in the *Fort Worth Star-Telegram* for four consecutive Wednesdays beginning on May 11, 2022, through June 1, 2022. The City received two bids. However, upon evaluation, BCAC Underground LLC, did not score at least 50% or more of the total available points for technical criteria, therefore, they were not qualified to receive pricing points.

An evaluation panel comprised of representatives of the Water Department reviewed and scored the submittals using Best Value criteria. The individual scores were averaged for each of the criteria and the final scores are listed in the table below.

Bidders	Evaluation Factors				Total Score
	a	b	c	d	
Ace Pipe Cleaning, Inc.	20.8	16.7	12	40	90
BCAC Underground LLC	2.5	2	1.5	X	Bidder did not meet technical points; therefore, cost was not evaluated.

Best Value criteria:

- (a) Contractor's Qualifications and Experience
- (b) Contractor's ability to meet the City's Needs
- (c) Contractor's approach to Perform Services
- (d) Cost of service

After evaluation, the panel concluded that Ace Pipe Cleaning Inc., presented the best value for the City. Therefore, the panel recommends that Council authorize this agreement with Ace Pipe Cleaning Inc., based on Best Value criteria. No guarantee was made that a specific amount of these services will be purchased. Staff certifies that the recommended vendor's bid met specifications.

Funding is budgeted in the in the Water Department rollup within the Water and Sewer Fund.

AGREEMENT TERMS - Upon City Council approval, this agreement shall begin upon execution and expire one year from that date.

RENEWAL TERMS - The contract may be renewed for up to four successive one-year terms at the City's option. This action does not require specific City Council approval provided that the City Council has appropriated sufficient funds to satisfy the City's obligations during the renewal term.

DIVERSITY AND INCLUSION (DVIN) - A waiver of the goal for Business Equity subcontracting requirement is approved by the DVIN-BE, in accordance with the Business Equity Ordinance, because the purchase of goods or services is from sources where subcontracting or supplier opportunities are negligible.

ADMINISTRATIVE CHANGE ORDERS - In addition, an administrative change order or increase may be made by the City Manager up to the amount allowed by relevant law and the Fort Worth City Code and does not require specific City Council approval.

FISCAL INFORMATION / CERTIFICATION:

The Director of Finance certifies that funds are available in the current operating budget, as previously appropriated, in the Water and Sewer Fund to support the approval of the above recommendation and execution of the agreement. Prior to any expenditure being incurred, the Water Department has the responsibility to validate the availability of funds.

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