

City of Fort Worth, Texas

# Mayor and Council Communication

DATE: 03/19/24M&C FILE NUMBER: M&C 24-0193

LOG NAME: 13P ITB 24-0011 BOILER INSPECTION & REPAIR SERVICES AW WATER

SUBJECT

(ALL) Authorize Execution of an Agreement with DMI, Corp. for Boiler Inspection and Repair Services for the Water Department in an Annual Amount Up to \$750,000.00 for the Initial Term and Authorize Four One-Year Renewals for the Same Annual Amount

RECOMMENDATION:

It is recommended that the City Council authorize execution of an agreement with DMI, Corp. for boiler inspection and repair services for the Water Department in an annual amount up to \$750,000.00 for the initial term and authorize four one-year renewals for the same annual amount.

DISCUSSION:

The Water Department approached the Purchasing Division for assistance in securing an agreement for replacement parts, inspection, and repair services for the heat recovery and boiler systems at the water and wastewater treatment plants to ensure they meet compliance standards and are maintained in superior working condition. The boilers produce high-pressure steam to generate electricity for the plant. Purchasing issued Invitation to Bid (ITB) 24-0011 that consisted of specifications including the American Society of Mechanical Engineers (ASME) Code and the National Board of Boiler and Pressure Vessel Inspectors (NBBI) certifications to perform work on the systems, as well as the equipment, safety, and warranty requirements.

The ITB was advertised in the *Fort Worth Star-Telegram* on November 29, 2023, December 6, 2023, December 13, 2023, December 20, 2023, December 27, 2023, January 3, 2024, and January 10, 2024. The City received two responses.

An evaluation panel consisting of representatives from the Water and Transportation & Public Works Departments reviewed and scored the submittals using Best Value criteria. During the technical evaluation, one bidder, McCloskey Mechanical Contractors, Inc, did not score at least 50% of the total available points for technical criteria and was deemed non-responsive in accordance with the bid documents. The individual scores were averaged for each of the criteria and the final scores are listed in the table below.

Bidder	Evaluation Factors				
	a	b	c	d	Total score
DMI, Corp.	14.67	19.83	9.50	30.00	74.00
McCloskey Mechanical Contractors, Inc	6.67	15.17	8.00	Bidder did not score 50% of the technical points; therefore, cost was not evaluated	Bidder did not score 50% of the technical points; therefore, cost was not evaluated

Best Value Criteria:

- a. Contractor’s qualifications, related experience, and references
- b. Contractor’s ability to meet the City’s needs
- c. Contractor’s timeframe to respond to regular and emergency service requests and perform the requested services
- d. Cost of service

After evaluation, the panel concluded that DMI, Corp. presented the best value. Therefore, the panel recommends that Council authorize an agreement with DMI, Corp. No guarantee was made that a specific amount of services would be purchased. Staff certifies that the recommended vendor’s bid met specifications.

Funding is budgeted in the Water & Sewer Fund for the Wastewater Power & Heat Generation Department.

DVIN-BE: 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.

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

RENEWAL TERMS: This agreement may be renewed automatically for four (4) one-year terms. 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.

ADMINISTRATIVE CHANGE ORDER: 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 as long as sufficient funds have been appropriated.

**FISCAL INFORMATION / CERTIFICATION:**

The Director of Finance certifies that upon approval of the recommendation, funds are available in the current operating budget, as previously appropriated, in the Water & Sewer Fund. Prior to an expenditure being incurred, the Water Department has the responsibility to validate the availability of funds.

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