

Mayor and Council Communication

DATE: 06/13/23

M&C FILE NUMBER: M&C 23-0459

LOG NAME: 13PITB 23-0045 PVC & HDPE PIPES AND FITTINGS CH WTR

SUBJECT

(ALL) Authorize Execution of a Purchase Agreement with Core and Main LP, and Wipco, Inc. for Polyvinyl Chloride & High-Density Polyethylene Pipes and Fittings in an Annual Amount Up to \$200,000.00 for the Initial Term and Authorize Four One-Year Automatic Renewals for the Water Department

RECOMMENDATION:

It is recommended that the City Council authorize execution of a purchase agreement with Core and Main LP, and Wipco, Inc. for polyvinyl chloride & high-density polyethylene pipes and fittings in an annual amount up to \$200,000.00 for the initial term and authorize four, one-year automatic renewals for the same annual amount for the Water Department.

DISCUSSION:

The Water Department approached the Purchasing Division to finalize an agreement to procure polyvinyl chloride & high-density polyethylene pipes and fittings on an as-needed basis. These goods are vital to the operation of City chemical and water lines utilized throughout various water treatment plants across the City. Purchasing issued an Invitation to Bid (ITB) No. 23-0045 that consisted of detailed specifications describing the various needed polyvinyl chloride & high-density polyethylene pipes and fittings with the recommended quantities for sustainment of water operations within the City.

The bid was advertised in the *Fort Worth Star-Telegram* beginning on March 22, 2023, March 29, 2023, and April 5, 2023. The City received three responses.

The bids were evaluated using the lowest responsive and responsible bid criteria. Staff recommends awarding to Core and Main LP, and Wipco, Inc., because their responses represented the lowest, responsible bids for the indicated items. The purchase will be based on the price and availability of items. No guarantee was made for the specific amount of goods that would be purchased. Staff certifies that the recommended vendors met the bid specifications. The recommendation was made based on the following:

| Item Description | Core and Main LP | Wipco, Inc. | Milford MPS Enterprises, Inc. | Recommended Vendor |
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| PVC Pipe Schedule 40, Tee, Cross, Plug | Rate \$3,150.80 | Rate \$1909.68 | NO BID | Wipco, Inc. |
| PVC Pipe Schedule 80, Elbow, Coupling, Adapter, Union, Nipples, and Ball Valves | Rate \$944,296.00 | Rate \$842,367.50 | NO BID | Wipco, Inc. |
| HDPE Pipe DR11, Tee and Elbows | Rate \$69,295.00 | NO BID | Rate \$88,688.00 | Core and Main LP |
| Heavy Body Cement | Rate \$3,211.00 | Rate \$3257.60 | NO BID | Core and Main LP |
| Primer-Purple | Rate \$2,854.00 | Rate \$994.30 | NO BID | Wipco, Inc. |
| Misc. | 25% Discount | | | |

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| Related Items Cost + % MARKUP | 0% Markup | for Misc. Related Items @Manufacturer List price | No Response | No Response | Core and Main LP |
| Total Spending Authority Requested By Department: \$200,000.00 | | | | | |

The maximum amount allowed under this agreement will be \$200,000.00; however, the actual amount used will be based on the need of the department and available budget.

Funding is budgeted in the Facilities Rep/Maint Supplies account of the Water Department's rollup within the Water & Sewer Fund.

DVIN: A waiver of the goal for Business Equity subcontracting requirements was requested, and approved by the DVIN, in accordance with the applicable 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 for four additional, automatic, 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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