

January 10, 2025

City of Lodi
130 South Main Street
Lodi, WI 53555

Attention: Ms. Brenda Ayers, Administrator/City Clerk

Subject: Analysis of Bids and Recommendation for Award of Contracts; 2025 Street & Utility Improvements - Sauk Street

Bid Deadline: January 9, 2025 at 2:00 p.m. local time

Ladies and Gentlemen:

The purpose of this letter is to analyze the bids received for the 2025 Street & Utility Improvements project and to recommend award of a contract. This project involves total street reconstruction, storm sewer upgrades, and underground utility replacement on Sauk Street, alternate bid items for private lead service line replacement at ten addresses along the project corridor, and supplemental bid items for removal of unsuitable trench backfill, property corner replacement, exploratory borings along drilling route and erosion matting.

The pre-bid estimate for the base bid was \$2,269,377.50. Twenty-one general contractors, subcontractors, and material suppliers requested sets of the plans, specifications and bidding documents. Four contractors submitted bids.

A summary of the bids is as follows:

Contractor	Base Bid	Alternate Bid Total	Supplemental Bid Total
A-1 Excavating LLC	\$1,674,755.00	\$65,365.00	\$21,100.00
Tri-City Contractors, Inc.	\$1,749,014.75	\$80,000.00	\$25,450.00
S&L Underground, Inc.	\$1,795,845.30	\$75,764.00	\$13,025.00
Parisi Construction, LLC	\$2,208,000.00	\$76,500.00	\$28,073.50

All of the bids were properly submitted.

The low bidder, using the base bid only, the base bid and alternate bid, or the base bid, alternate bid and supplemental bid is A-1 Excavating LLC of Bloomer, Wisconsin, an experienced utility and street contractor that completed a similar project for the Village of Deforest. The bid prices are lower than the original budget due to Lower than expected general excavation costs, later costs, and Asphalt Costs We recommend that A-1 Excavating LLC be awarded a contract for the base bid, plus the alternate and supplemental bids, for a total of \$1,761,220.00.

This will be a unit price contract. That is, the contractor will be paid for the work actually performed on the basis on the unit prices bid. This means that the final line item costs could be either greater than or less than the bid totals. Also, unexpected conditions are sometimes encountered which result in increased project costs. Therefore, it would be wise to continue to carry the recommended 10% contingency.

If you have any questions with respect to our thoughts on this matter, I am available at your convenience to discuss them with you.

Respectfully,
TOWN & COUNTRY ENGINEERING, INC.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Chris J. Reid".

Christian Reid, P.E.
Project Engineer

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