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The City of Vadnais Heights
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Memorandum:

TO: Mayor Gunderson and City Council Members

FROM: Jesse Farrell, City Engineer/Director of Public Works

DATE: April 20, 2021

RE: 2019-10 Lift Station Improvements
Accept Bid Tabulation and Bid Award

Requested Council Action

Accept the tabulation of bids for Improvement 2019-10, Lift Station Improvements, and award the project to Pember Companies, Inc. as the lowest responsible bidder at a bid of \$389,650, with payment as provided in the 2021 City CIP and authorize the City Administrator to enter into a construction agreement on behalf of the City upon approval of the Agreement by the City Attorney.

Background

Plans and specifications were prepared by the City's consultant engineer, S.E.H. Upon recommendation by City staff, the plans and specifications were approved by the City Council at their March 16, 2021 meeting and bids were authorized to be received.

Following proper advertisement, bids were received and opened at 10 a.m. on Thursday, April 15, 2021. A total of three (3) bids were received. The lowest responsible bidder was Pember Companies, Inc. of Menomonie, Wisconsin with a bid of \$389,650. The engineer's construction cost estimate was \$364,298 and included a contingency. A copy of the entire bid tabulation is attached.

Based on S.E.H.'s experience with Pember Companies, Inc., S.E.H. determined that Pember Companies, Inc. has sufficient understanding of the project and equipment to perform the construction for which it bid and according to their bonding agent they have the financial ability to complete the project bid. S.E.H. has provided the attached letter recommending award to Pember Companies, Inc. for this project as the lowest responsible bidder.

Staff therefore recommends that the City Council authorize the attached resolution awarding the project.

The total project cost for the improvements, based on the low bid, is therefore \$389,650. The City's budget for the improvements is \$250,000. Through project development, approximately \$116,000 of important improvements to the facility were identified, beyond what was anticipated last fall when the budgetary amount of \$250,000 was computed.

Attachments

Bid Tabulation

Recommendation of Award letter from S.E.H. dated April 15, 2021
Resolution Accepting the Bids and Awarding the Project Contract to Pember Companies, Inc.

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April 15, 2021

RE: Vadnais Heights, MN
2021 Lift Station Improvements
City Project No. 2019-10
SEH No. VADNA 157539

Jesse Farrell
Public Works Director/City Engineer
City of Vadnais Heights
800 East County Road E
Vadnais Heights, MN 55127

Dear Jesse:

On 10:00 a.m., Thursday, April 15, 2021, three bids were received for the above-referenced project. The bids ranged from a high of \$448,750 to a low of \$389,650. The low bid received was submitted by Pember Companies, Inc., of Menomonie, WI in the amount of \$389,650.

Contractor	Total Bid
Pember Companies, Inc.	\$389,650.00
Vinco, Inc.	\$418,700.00
Minger Construction Companies, Inc.	\$448,750.00
Engineer's Estimate	(\$364,298.00) ¹

Note 1: Engineers estimate include contingency

In reliance on our experience with Pember Companies, Inc. and/or materials and information provided by the contractor, we have determined that 1) they have a sufficient understanding of the project and equipment to perform the construction for which it bid; and 2) according to their bonding agent they presently have the financial ability to complete the project bid. SEH makes no representation or warranty as to the actual financial viability of the contractor or its ability to complete its work.

Accordingly, we recommend the project be awarded to Pember Companies, Inc. in the amount of \$389,650, which compares favorably with the engineer's estimate shown above.

Please note that New Valve Vault and Wet Well and Valve Vault Coating in an amount of \$116,000 were added as an additional scope to the original project.

Sincerely,

Fasil Yitbarek, PE
Project Manager

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Attachment

c: Scott Haupt, PE – SEH

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SEH **TABULATION OF BIDS**

2021 Lift Station Improvements Vadnais Heights, MN SEH No.: VADNA 157539 Bid Date: 10:00 a.m., Thursday, April 15, 2021				Engineer's Estimate \$364,296.00		Pember Companies, Inc. N4449 469th Street Menomonie, WI 54751 \$389,650.00		Vinco, Inc. 18995 N. Forest Blvd, PO Box 907 Forest Lake, MN 55025 \$418,700.00		Minger Construction Companies, Inc. 620 Corporate Drive Jordan, MN 55352 \$448,750.00	
Item No.	Item	Unit	Est. Quantity	Unit Price	Total Price	Unit Price	Total Price	Unit Price	Total Price	Unit Price	Total Price
1	Mobilization and Demobilization	LS	1	\$15,056.00	\$15,056.00	\$57,150.00	\$57,150.00	\$20,000.00	\$20,000.00	\$35,000.00	\$35,000.00
2	Traffic Control	LS	1	15,000.00	15,000.00	2,000.00	2,000.00	2,000.00	2,000.00	3,000.00	3,000.00
3	Temporary Wastewater Flow Control	LS	1	56,250.00	56,250.00	75,000.00	75,000.00	100,000.00	100,000.00	30,000.00	30,000.00
4	Site Modification and Miscellaneous Site Work	LS	1	11,750.00	11,750.00	1,500.00	1,500.00	12,000.00	12,000.00	15,000.00	15,000.00
5	Wet Well Precast Concrete Top Slab Replacement	LS	1	12,000.00	12,000.00	8,000.00	8,000.00	7,500.00	7,500.00	12,500.00	12,500.00
6	New Valve Vault	LS	1	50,372.00	50,372.00	75,000.00	75,000.00	106,800.00	106,800.00	165,000.00	165,000.00
7	Wet Well Vent with Carbon Filter	LS	1	5,000.00	5,000.00	6,500.00	6,500.00	4,000.00	4,000.00	8,000.00	8,000.00
8	Wet well and Valve Vault Coating	LS	1	28,500.00	28,500.00	41,000.00	41,000.00	30,000.00	30,000.00	32,000.00	32,000.00
9	Bituminous Pavement – Final Surface Restoration	LS	1	20,000.00	20,000.00	8,500.00	8,500.00	5,000.00	5,000.00	32,750.00	32,750.00
10	Lift Station Electrical	LS	1	117,250.00	117,250.00	115,000.00	115,000.00	131,400.00	131,400.00	115,500.00	115,500.00
10 % Contingency					33,118.00						
TOTAL BID PRICE				\$364,296.00		\$389,650.00		\$418,700.00		\$448,750.00	

RESOLUTION NO. 21-04-_____**RESOLUTION OF THE CITY OF VADNAIS HEIGHTS
RAMSEY COUNTY, MINNESOTA****ACCEPTING THE BIDS, AND AWARDING AN AGREEMENT FOR PROJECT
#2019-10, LIFT STATION IMPROVEMENT**

WHEREAS, advertisement for bids for the Lift Station Improvement Project (2019-10) were authorized by the City Council at their March 16, 2021 meeting by Resolution No. 21-03-054; and

WHEREAS, proper advertisements were made pursuant to State law in the official newspaper and Construction Bulletin; and

WHEREAS, bids for the 2019-10 Lift Station Improvement Project were received at 10:00 a.m. on Thursday, April 15, 2021, opened and tabulated according to State law; and

WHEREAS, the following bids were received and read complying with said advertisement:

<u>Company</u>	<u>Total</u>
Pember Companies, Inc.	\$389,650.00
Vinco, Inc.	\$418,700.00
Minger Construction Companies, Inc.	\$448,750.00

WHEREAS, the City reserves the right to reject any or all bids, to waive irregularities and informalities therein and to award the Contract in the best interests of the City.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the City Council of the City of Vadnais Heights, Ramsey County, Minnesota as follows:

1. That the bid of Pember Companies, Inc. in the amount of \$389,650 for the 2019-10 Lift Station Improvement Project is the lowest responsive bid.
2. That a contract to perform said work is awarded to Pember Companies, Inc. and that the Mayor and City Administrator are hereby authorized and directed to enter into a contract with said bidder.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the City Council of the City of Vadnais Heights, Ramsey County, Minnesota accepts the bids received for the 2019-10 Lift Station Improvement Project and authorizes awarding an agreement with Pember Companies, Inc. in the amount of \$389,650.00.

This Resolution was declared duly passed and adopted and was signed by the Mayor and attested to by the City Administrator this 20th day of April, 2021.

Attest:

Heidi Gunderson, Mayor

Kevin Watson, City Administrator