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GRW Engineers, Inc.

December 20, 2011

Mr. James L. Waggoner
 Community Development Director
 61 N. Green Street
 Brownsburg, IN 46112

RE: Bid Award Recommendation
 Town of Brownsburg – Ar buckle Acres Park Water System Improvements
 GRW Project No. 3960

Dear Mr. Waggoner:

Construction bids were opened for the above referenced project on December 13, 2011 at 2:00 p.m. local time at the Brownsburg Town Hall. Thieneman Construction, Inc. (Thieneman) of Westfield, Indiana, was the apparent low, responsive, responsible bidder of seven (7) bids received by the bid deadline for the above referenced project. Details of the bid breakdown are shown on the attached Certified Bid Tabulation and summarized below:

Bidder	Base Bid	Add. Bid Alt. No. 1	Add. Bid Alt. No. 2	Add. Bid Alt. No. 3	Base Bid + All Add. Alternates
<i>Engineer's Estimate</i>	\$4,432,000.00	\$127,500.00	\$15,750.00	\$37,400.00	\$4,612,650.00
Thieneman	\$4,884,000.00	\$94,000.00	\$19,650.00	\$22,750.00	\$5,020,400.00
Walsh	\$4,960,100.00	\$118,000.00	\$14,000.00	\$26,000.00	\$5,118,100.00
Bowen	\$4,994,000.00	\$126,000.00	\$14,000.00	\$15,950.00	\$5,149,950.00
Wilhelm	\$5,327,000.00	\$98,000.00	\$19,000.00	\$25,986.00	\$5,469,986.00
W. Rogers	\$5,393,000.00	\$173,000.00	\$24,000.00	\$24,430.00	\$5,614,430.00
Shook	\$5,533,600.00	\$116,000.00	\$11,400.00	\$36,000.00	\$5,697,000.00
M.K. Betts	\$5,627,720.00	\$125,000.00	\$18,065.00	\$15,800.00	\$5,786,585.00

Per discussion with you, Dale Cheatham, and Mike Good, the recommended project includes the Base Bid and all Additive Bid Alternates (Nos. 1, 2 and 3). The Base Bid includes the new Water Treatment Plant No.1, demolition of existing water plant, new asphalt parking lot, new Well No.9, and Lucas Drive water main replacement. Additive Bid Alternate No. 1 includes the addition of a new forced draft aerator (in lieu of induced draft aerator) and the addition of a new deep bed odor scrubber. Additive Bid Alternate No. 2 includes a new 315 LF x 10 ft. wide asphalt walking trail from the proposed parking lot to the existing restroom facilities at the Park. Additive Bid Alternate No. 3 includes a new 4" conduit for future fiber optic line parallel to the proposed water main along Lucas Drive and within the new plant site and building.

Thieneman has been in business and involved with the water/sewer construction industry for 12 years, working on numerous municipal projects throughout Indiana ranging from less than \$100,000 to more than \$12,000,000 in construction amount. Some of their recent projects of



similar nature and scope include wastewater treatment plant, wastewater lift station, and/or concrete storage tank construction for the City of Indianapolis, Indiana; City of Hammond, Indiana; City of Tipton, Indiana; Town of Mooresville, Indiana; and the Town of Fishers, Indiana. We also understand that under your direction, Thieneman completed the recent Town of Brownsburg CSO project under budget and under schedule and that you consider them "a good company". In addition, over the past 3-4 years, Thieneman completed a couple of GRW's wastewater treatment plant projects, each between \$3.5 to \$4.5 million, for the Town of Spencer, Indiana and Twin Lakes Regional Waste District (Monticello, IN).

GRW contacted the local agent for their bonding and insurance company, Mr. Tim Taylor with Tobias Insurance Agency (for Western Surety Company), and there have been no reported problems regarding claims, performance, payments on time, or other similar issues. Mr. Taylor has worked with Thieneman for 12 years.

GRW also contacted Mr. Bob Craib with the U.S. Army Corp of Engineers. Thieneman worked on several projects with him, most recently performing mechanical work on several storm pump stations in the City of Hammond, Indiana. Mr. Craib stated that Thieneman was "always in close contact, diligent, honest, and a professional outfit." Mr. Craib also mentioned that the City of Hammond has not complained about any of the items after the project was completed.

GRW also contacted Mr. Gary Little with Citizens Energy Group for the City of Indianapolis, IN. Mr. Little stated that he has had very good success with Thieneman as the prime contractor on public works projects (approx. \$2 million and under).

Therefore, based upon review of the bid information, our personal experiences, and references checked to date, GRW finds no apparent reason to not award this construction contract to Thieneman and recommend that the Town of Brownsburg proceed forward with a construction contract award to Thieneman Construction, Inc. for the total contract amount of five-million twenty-thousand and four hundred dollars and no cents (\$5,020,400.00).

We trust this information contained in this letter is of sufficient detail to meet your needs at this time. If you have any questions or need additional information, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Sincerely,
GRW ENGINEERS, INC.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'D. Wells', is written over a horizontal line.

Darren S. Wells, P.E., BCEE
Project Manager

Enclosures

cc: Dale Cheatham, Town Manager
Mike Good, Water Superintendent
File: 3960 Bidding

RESOLUTION # _____

TOWN OF BROWNSBURG, INDIANA

A RESOLUTION SUPPORTING THE ENGINEER'S BID RECOMMENDATION FOR CONTRACT AWARD FOR THE NEW WATER TREATMENT PLANT NO.1 AND LUCAS DRIVE WATER MAIN REPLACEMENT PROJECT

Whereas, The Town of Brownsburg has engaged GRW Engineers, Inc. (hereinafter GRW) as consulting engineer on the New Water Treatment Plant No.1 and Lucas Drive Water Main Replacement Project for the town; and

Whereas, The process of obtaining bids for the contract of the project has been completed, received, and reviewed by GRW and shared with the Town Council;

Therefore, be it resolved that the Town Council of Brownsburg supports GRW bid recommendation for the following contract with the understanding that actual approval of contract award by the Council will be done at a later date pending completion of all reviews by relevant agencies:

New Water Treatment Plant No.1 and Lucas Drive Water Main Replacement Project is recommended to be awarded to Thieneman Construction, Inc. of Westfield, Indiana, for the Base Bid contract amount of \$4,884,000.00 plus Additive Bid Alternate Nos. 1 through 3 in the total amount of \$136,400.00, for a Total contract amount of \$5,020,400.00.

Adopted on the _____ day of _____, 2012

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Attested:

Clerk/Treasurer