Rochelle Municipal Utilities
Water/Water Reclamation

To: David Plyman

From: Kathy Cooper

Date: March 16, 2012

Re: South Main and Fourth Ave. Recommendation

The 2012-13 Water Division capital rehabilitation project is the replacement of approximately 1100 feet of 12-inch water main on South Main Street and 350 feet of six-inch water main in the 300 block of Fourth Avenue. The South Main replacement is a high priority in the Master Plan, and is being done in preparation of the proposed reconstruction of South Main Street. The Fourth Ave. replacement is required because the main is deteriorating.

Matt Hansen of Willett-Hoffman performed the design and permitting work for the project. Subsequent to the required public notice, bids were opened on March 14, 2012, and eight bids were received. Stenstrom Construction of Rockford is the apparent low bidder.

	BASE BID
Stenstrom, Rockford	$199,140.50
N-Trak, Roscoe	$200,000.78
Fischer's, Freeport	$202,546.81
L.A. Sites, Frankfort	$211,179.79
Northern Illinois Services, Rockford	$214,989.90
GO, Freeport	$217,970.00
Martin and Co., Oregon	$233,136.48
Elliott and Wood, DeKalb	$284,470.43
Engineer's estimate:	**$217,794.00**

Matt Hansen of Willett-Hofmann reviewed the bids and confirmed that Stenstrom is the apparent qualified low bidder. Stenstrom has successfully completed projects for Rochelle, including the Askvig subdivision and the sewer tie-in for the airport. The work was completed safely and timely.

The project is scheduled to start in late April or early May, and should be completed within sixty days. This will allow the time for all restoration this construction season. Customers will be minimally inconvenienced by the work, and we plan to keep the residents informed of the work that will be occurring in their neighborhood.

I recommend that the City Council accept the lowest responsible bid from Stenstrom, Rockford, for $199,140.50.

Please put this on the Council Agenda for March 28, 2011.