



City of Rochelle
Engineering Department

Memo

To: Dave Plyman, City Manager

CC: Don Elliott, Supt. of Street Division

Curt Ward, Engineering Technician

Chris Frye, Finance Director

Alan Cooper, City Attorney (via council packet)

From: Sam Tesreau, City Engineer

Date: June 6, 2012

Re: 2012/2013 Seal Coat street maintenance MFT Sec#12-00000-00-GM

Encl:

(1) Resolution for Maintenance of Street and Highways by Municipality Under the Illinois Highway Code (BLR 14230) appropriating MFT funds for general maintenance of various streets Sec No. 12-00000-00-GM

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- 1) Various streets and alleys were identified to receive a seal coat (A1) surface treatment this FY to provide for much needed roadway maintenance and preservation. The areas are shown on the attached exhibit A.
 - 2) The above referenced project was advertised in the Illinois Dept. of Transportation (IDOT) Notice to Contractor's Bulletin 12-13 as well as the Rochelle Newsleader. Bids were publicly opened and read aloud on April 12, 2012 at 10 am for the above referenced project. Three separate bids were received as follows:
 - Jim George & Sons, LLC submitted a bid for making the entire improvements in the amount of \$184,776.65
 - AC Pavement Striping Co. submitted a bid for making the entire improvements in the amount of \$194,330.29
 - Road Oil, Inc. submitted a bid for making the entire improvements in the amount of \$232,796.90

The various streets general maintenance project is funded with Motor Fuel Tax (MFT) funds administered through IDOT. The lowest bid is approximately 12% lower than the Municipal estimate of maintenance costs submitted to IDOT and approved on March 23, 2012. Since the April 12th bid opening, protests were filed with the IDOT Chief Counsel, against the lowest bidder (Jim George & Sons) and the 2nd lowest bidder (AC pavement Striping Co.). Those protests or

suspensions have not yet been resolved, as of this date, to allow award of the contract and concurrence by the IDOT. The 3rd highest bid is approximately 12% over the estimated cost.

While waiting for the protest issues to be resolved, 45 calendar days have lapsed since the bid opening which would require a guarantee of the bid proposal, schedule of prices and all other bid specifications, from the last remaining and highest bidder Road Oil, Inc.. They have provided that written guarantee should the City decide to award the project by June 29, 2012. Unfortunately, the timeframe for the street division crews to begin and complete preparation for all the proposed seal coat areas has been significantly shortened. However, in an effort to continue on the routine annual pavement preservation and maintenance program the contract should be awarded to the last apparent eligible bidder so as to complete a majority of the project areas before the completion date or as determined by City Engineering staff. Once awarded the remaining contract documents will be submitted for IDOT's concurrence and authorization.

Should approval be granted, a transfer from FY 12/13 MFT fund 17-00 will be made to the FY 12/13 CIP fund 36-00-86091 to cover the Local Agency (LA) costs associated with the General Maintenance project of various streets Sec#12-00000-00-GM.

- 3) Please consider approval of enclosure (1) Resolution for Maintenance of Street and Highways by Municipality Under the Illinois Highway Code (BLR 14230) appropriating MFT funds for general maintenance of various streets described herein. Please consider acceptance of the bid proposal and award the contract to Road Oil, Inc. and reject all other bids received.