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ENGINEERING & ENVIRONMENTAL

November 18, 2019

Mr. Adam Lanning, Superintendent of Water & Water Reclamation
 Rochelle Municipal Utilities
 333 Lincoln Highway
 P. O. Box 456
 Rochelle, IL 61068

**Re: New Well House For Well #4
 Letter of Recommendation**

Dear Mr. Lanning,

In compliance with the Bid Solicitation for the above-referenced project, bid packages were available through QuestCDN.com and our office with bids due by 11:30 a.m., Thursday, November 14, 2019. Nineteen companies held bid packages, eleven of which were identified as prime bidders, and six bids were received for the opening at City Hall.

Our office has completed a review of the bids submitted and the low Base Bid was submitted by Larson & Larson Builders, Inc., 5612 Industrial Avenue, Loves Park, IL 61111 with the necessary forms included in their submittal. A summary of the bid results is as follows:

	ENGINEER'S ESTIMATE	Kee Construction	Larson & Larson Builders, Inc.	Leander Construction, Inc.	Scandrol Construction Co.	Stenstrom Construction Group	Winter Construction Inc.
Total Base Bid (As Calculated)	\$1,157,500.00	\$1,880,000.00	\$1,363,551.00	\$1,562,000.00	\$1,579,975.00	\$1,543,613.00	\$1,544,222.00
Total Alternate Bid 1 (As Calculated)	\$92,520.00	\$226,880.00	\$218,583.00	\$251,002.92	\$185,192.53	\$167,683.07	\$177,832.82

The low Base Bid submitted by Larson & Larson Builders, Inc. of \$1,363,551.00 is approximately 18% higher than the Engineer's Estimate. Alternate Bid 1, in the amount of \$218,583.00, is more than 130% higher than the Engineer's Estimate. A bid tabulation is enclosed for your review.

The above costs do not include the allowance for the asbestos remediation. This allowance, which was required by the bidders to be added to the base bid to cover costs required for remediation discovered during demolition activities, is set at \$30,000. We recommend that this allowance be added to the award amount and further recommend that base bid for the New Well House For Well #4 be awarded to Larson & Larson Builders, Inc. in the amount of \$1,393,551.00.

With the bid for the alternate submitted in such excess to the Engineer's Estimate, we do not recommend award of the alternate bid.

Fehr Graham can proceed with preparing the contract documents should you decide to move forward with this Base Bid work. Thank you for the opportunity to provide you with

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professional services. Should you need anything further, please contact our office anytime.

Sincerely,



Jason T. Stoll, PE
Branch Manager

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