



January 3rd, 2024

JD Cox, City Administrator
City of Douglas
P.O. Box 1030
Douglas, Wyoming 82633

Re: Recommendation of Award – S. Downtown Alleys Improvements Project

Dear Mr. Cox:

Bids were received for the City of Douglas: S. Downtown Alleys Improvements Project on December 7th, 2023 at 2:00PM MST. One bid was received and the price of this bid was \$1,821,312.00 for the Total Base Bid. A detailed breakdown of the bid is provided in the enclosed bid tabulation. The contractor who submitted the bid was JR Civil LLC.

The project award is based upon the Total Base Bid; however, there was one Alternate Bid Schedule included in this project. The Alternate Bid Schedule includes substituting the 8" DR18 FPVC pipe for the trenchless pipe rehabilitation component of this project with DR17 HDPE pipe. JR Civil, LLC submitted a price for the Alternate Bid Schedule of \$39,280.00.

We have thoroughly reviewed the bid provided by JR Civil, LLC. The bid was complete and the bid documents were completed properly; however, the bid is well above the engineer's estimate.

With only one contractor bidding the project, and their bid coming in significantly higher than the engineer's estimate for the project, it is our recommendation to not award the project to JR Civil, LLC. It is recommended to rebid the project with a longer construction window and to incorporate some value engineering items. Based on feedback from contractors, this recommended option is anticipated to provide a more competitive bidding environment.

Please feel free to contact me if you have any questions or concerns.

Sincerely,
Civil Engineering Professionals, Inc.

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads 'Nicholas Larsen'.

Nicholas Larsen, P.E.

Cc: John Harbarger, Public Works Director
Enc.