



ERIE COUNTY WATER AUTHORITY
INTEROFFICE MEMORANDUM

June 29, 2023

To: Terrence D. McCracken, Secretary to the Authority

From: Michael J. Quinn, Senior Distribution Engineer

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "MJQ", is written over the name "Michael J. Quinn" in the "From:" line.

Subject: Contract MP-091
Curb Box Replacements
ECWA Project No. 202200135

On Thursday, June 15, 2023, the Authority received one (1) bid for the above referenced contract. The bid has been reviewed, a mathematical check has been performed, and the apparent low bidder, Russo Development, Inc. (Russo), was found acceptable.

Russo is an established contractor for the Authority who has worked on numerous ECWA contracts, performing work of similar nature in a competent, reliable, and acceptable manner. They have demonstrated a good understanding of the scope and requirements for this contract.

The total Engineer's estimate for the contract was \$566,405.00. The bid submitted by Russo is \$539,619.00, approximately 4.7% below the estimated amount. While only one bid was received for this project, we find this bid to be reasonable given the current construction market, contractor availability and material availability and pricing. The specifications were clear, adequate competition was solicited, and it was assumed that more than one bid would be submitted.

Russo has provided adequate MWBE documentation, approved by Director of Administration, insurance, approved by Claims Representative/Risk Manager, and proof of apprenticeship program, approved by the Coordinator of Employee Relations.

We, therefore, recommend award of the above referenced contract to Russo Development, Inc. in the amount of \$539,619.00, subject to legal review.

Budget Information (2023 Construction):

Unit: 1030 Water Quality Assurance

Item 101664 Study – Corrosion Control Program Management

Attached please find the following documents:

1. ECWA Authorization Form.
2. ECWA Recommendation for Award of Contract form.
3. Letter of recommendation from Arcadis, dated June 28, 2023 and Bid Tabulation.

MJQ:jmf

Attachments

cc: L.Kowalski

L.Lester

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ERIE COUNTY WATER AUTHORITY
 AUTHORIZATION FORM
 For Approval/Execution of Documents
 (check which apply)

Contract: MP-091 **Project No.:** 202200135
Project Description: Curb Box Replacements

Item Description:



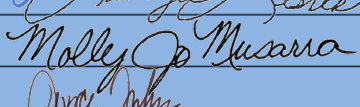


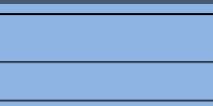
Agreement Professional Service Contract Amendment Change Order
 BCD NYSDOT Agreement Contract Documents Addendum
 Recommendation for Award of Contract Recommendation to Reject Bids
 Request for Proposals
 Other _____

Action Requested:


Board Authorization to Execute Legal Approval
 Board Authorization to Award Execution by the Chairman
 Board Authorization to Advertise for Bids Execution by the Secretary to the Authority
 Board Authorization to Solicit Request for Proposals
 Other _____

Approvals Needed:

APPROVED AS TO CONTENT:

<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Sr. Distribution Engineer		Date: <u>7/6/2023</u>
<input type="checkbox"/> Chief Operating Officer	_____	Date: _____
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Executive Engineer		Date: <u>07/10/2023</u>
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Director of Administration		Date: <u>07/07/2023</u>
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Risk Manager		Date: <u>7/10/2023</u>
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Chief Financial Officer		Date: <u>07/10/2023</u>
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Legal		Date: <u>7/6/2023</u>

APPROVED FOR BOARD RESOLUTION:

<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Secretary to the Authority		Date: <u>7/11/2023</u>
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Remarks: Unit price contract.

Resolution Date: _____ **Item No:** _____

**ERIE COUNTY WATER AUTHORITY
RECOMMENDATION FOR AWARD OF CONTRACT**

Contract: MP-091 Project No.: 202200135
 Project Description: Curb Box Replacements

CONTRACT AWARD

Contractor/Supplier: Russo Development, Inc.
 Award Amount: \$539,619.00

BID SUMMARY:

Date Advertised for Bids: 05/24/2023 Date of Bid Opening 06/15/2023

Bidder	Total Bid Amount
<u>Russo Development, Inc.</u>	<u>\$539,619.00</u>
_____	<u>\$0.00</u>
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Attachments: Bid Tabulation Consultant's Recommendation

APPROVALS (Select applicable)

WMBE APPROVAL

No Waiver
 Full Waiver
 Partial Waiver

EEO Compliance Officer *Sevonia Lester* Date 06/28/2023

INSURANCE APPROVAL

Claims Rep/Risk Manager *Molly Jo Musarra* Date 7/6/2023

NYS CERTIFIED APPRENTICESHIP PROGRAM APPROVAL

Coordinator of Employee Relations *V. J. [Signature]* Date 06/30/2023

Remarks: Unit price contract.

June 28, 2023

Leonard Kowalski, PE
Executive Engineer
Erie County Water Authority
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Cheektowaga, NY 14227-1097

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Fax 716 842 2612
www.arcadis.com

Subject: Contract No. MP-091
ECWA Project No.: 202200135
Curb Box Replacements
Recommendation Regarding Award of Construction Contract

Dear Mr. Kowalski,

Bids for the above-referenced Project were received by the Erie County Water Authority (Authority) and opened on June 15, 2023 at 10:00 a.m. at the Authority's Service Center. This letter presents our recommendations relative to award of the Project's single prime construction contract. Overall, it appears that the Bid received is similar to the amount of the Engineer's opinion of probable construction cost and thus is consistent with the Authority's budgeting expectations.

Bids were received from the following contractors:

- Russo Development, Inc.

Enclosed is a tabulation of the Bids received. The Bids are valid for a period of 45 days from date of the Bid opening (i.e., through July 30, 2023).

Publicity of Project

In addition to the Authority's Invitation to Bid, Arcadis of New York, Inc. (Arcadis) made significant efforts to engage prospective Bidders regarding this Project. Arcadis furnished copies of the Bidding Documents and other information to Avalon Document Services (the Issuing Office).

Arcadis and the Authority contacted numerous contractors that have submitted bids for similar work on previous public works projects in western New York.

General Contract

Bid Items: This Contract includes a base bid only, without alternative bid items.

Bid Evaluation and Responsiveness: The apparent low Bid was submitted by Russo Development, Inc. of Blasdell, New York. We have evaluated Russo Development's Bid and determined it to be mathematically correct. Russo Development's Bid appears to comply with the requirements of the Bidding Documents.

Leonard Kowalski, PE
Erie County Water Authority
June 28, 2023

Comparison with Budget

The Engineer's opinion of probable cost was \$566,405.00 for the Contract. The price bid by the apparent low responsive and responsible Bidder for the prime construction contract is \$539,619.00.

The total price bid by the apparent low Bidder for the prime construction contract is less than the corresponding Engineer's opinion of probable bid pricing. Because sufficient funds appear to be available, we recommend that the Authority award the construction contract and proceed with implementing the Project's construction phase.

Recommendations

We recommend the following:

1. Because Russo Development, Inc. submitted the lowest-priced, responsive, and responsible Bid for the General Contract, subject to review and approval by the Authority, we recommend awarding the General Contract to Russo Development, Inc., 3710 Milestrip Rd, Blasdell, NY 14219, as the Successful Bidder, in the total amount of \$539,619.00.
2. The Contract award should be contingent upon the Successful Bidder furnishing acceptably-executed Contract Documents and acceptable insurance, performance bond, and maintenance bond.
3. Upon the Authority's receipt of acceptable insurance, performance bond, maintenance bond, and signed originals of the Contract Documents from the Successful Bidder, the Authority should execute the Contract Documents and Notice to Proceed. After subsequently executing the Contract Documents and Notice to Proceed, the Authority should distribute the executed original Contract Documents and Notice to Proceed to each of the following: Authority, Contractor, and Engineer.

Should you have questions or comments, please contact me at 716 667 6670.

Sincerely,

Arcadis of New York, Inc.



Dan Seider, PE
Project Manager
Email: daniel.seider@arcadis.com

Leonard Kowalski, PE
Erie County Water Authority
June 28, 2023

Enclosures:

- Bid Tabulation

Electronic Copies

Michael Quinn, ECWA

Mark Jarmuz, ECWA

Timothy C. Shafer, Arcadis of New York, Inc.

TABULATION OF BIDS



OWNER: Erie County Water Authority
Buffalo, New York

PROJECT: Curb Box Replacements

Date Advertised: May 24, 2023
Date Opened: June 15, 2023
Date Tabulated: June 28, 2023
Arcadis Project No.: 30140452
ECWA Project No.: 202200135

Prepared By: NM
Checked By: DJS
Arcadis of New York, Inc.
50 Fountain Plaza, Suite 360
Buffalo, New York 14202

General Contract - MP-091

Bidders' Name & Contact Info.

				ENGINEER'S OPINION OF PROBABLE COST		Russo Development, Inc. 3710 Milestrip Rd, Blasdell, NY 14219 Phone:(716) 844-8745	
ITEM NUMBER	ITEM DESCRIPTION	ITEM QUANTITY	UNIT	UNIT PRICE	AMOUNT BID	UNIT PRICE	AMOUNT BID
1A1	Excavation in the Lawn Area, Service Line Bedding, and Backfill	160	Ea	\$1,125.00	\$180,000.00	\$1,065.00	\$170,400.00
1A2	Excavation in the Asphalt Area, Service Line Bedding, and Backfill	20	Ea	\$2,520.00	\$50,400.00	\$2,400.00	\$48,000.00
1A3	Excavation in the Concrete Area, Service Line Bedding, and Backfill	20	Ea	\$2,520.00	\$50,400.00	\$2,400.00	\$48,000.00
2A1	¾-inch to 1-inch Service Replacement/Installation Near Side	2	Ea	\$4,000.00	\$8,000.00	\$3,800.00	\$7,600.00
2A2	1 ½-inch and 2-inch Service Replacement/Installation Near Side	1	Ea	\$4,000.00	\$4,000.00	\$3,800.00	\$3,800.00
2B1	¾-inch to 1-inch Service Replacement/Installation Far Side	2	Ea	\$4,750.00	\$9,500.00	\$4,500.00	\$9,000.00
2B2	1 ½-inch and 2-inch Service Replacement/Installation Far Side	1	Ea	\$6,450.00	\$6,450.00	\$6,100.00	\$6,100.00
3A1	Furnishing and installing ¾-inch or 1-inch Copper Tubing	160	LF	\$25.00	\$4,000.00	\$20.00	\$3,200.00
3A2	Furnishing and installing 1-1/2-inch or 2-inch Copper Tubing	80	LF	\$45.00	\$3,600.00	\$40.00	\$3,200.00
4A1	Furnishing and installing ¾-inch or 1-inch Curb Stop	8	Ea	\$420.00	\$3,360.00	\$400.00	\$3,200.00
4A2	Furnishing and installing 1-1/2-inch or 2-inch Curb Stop	2	Ea	\$1,260.00	\$2,520.00	\$1,200.00	\$2,400.00
5A	Furnishing and installing Curb Box	200	Ea	\$315.00	\$63,000.00	\$300.00	\$60,000.00
6A	Furnishing and installing Select Backfill	120	CY	\$65.00	\$7,800.00	\$60.00	\$7,200.00
7A1	Furnishing and installing Concrete Sidewalk	50	SY	\$210.00	\$10,500.00	\$200.00	\$10,000.00
7A2	Furnishing and installing Concrete Driveway	50	SY	\$230.00	\$11,500.00	\$220.00	\$11,000.00
7A3	Furnishing and installing Concrete Curb/Gutter	100	LF	\$80.00	\$8,000.00	\$75.00	\$7,500.00
7B1	Furnishing and installing Asphalt Driveway	70	SY	\$145.00	\$10,150.00	\$137.00	\$9,590.00
7B2	Furnishing and installing Asphalt Pavement Top Course (1-1/2-inches)	70	SY	\$70.00	\$4,900.00	\$64.00	\$4,480.00
7B3	Furnishing and installing Asphalt Pavement Binder Course (2-inches)	70	SY	\$75.00	\$5,250.00	\$65.00	\$4,550.00
7B4	Furnishing and installing Asphalt Pavement Base Course (4-inches)	70	SY	\$95.00	\$6,650.00	\$90.00	\$6,300.00
7C1	Landscape Restoration	220	SY	\$40.00	\$8,800.00	\$36.00	\$7,920.00
7C2	Tree Planting	5	Ea	\$725.00	\$3,625.00	\$690.00	\$3,450.00
7C3	Removal of Trees Less than 12-inch Diameter	3	Ea	\$4,000.00	\$12,000.00	\$3,767.00	\$11,301.00
7C4	Removal of Trees Greater than 12-inch Diameter	2	Ea	\$6,000.00	\$12,000.00	\$5,714.00	\$11,428.00
8A1	Cash Allowance for Purchase of (2) Handheld laser induced breakdown spectroscopy (LIBS) analyzers	1	LS	\$40,000.00	\$40,000.00	\$40,000.00	\$40,000.00
8A2	Contingency Allowance for Maintenance & Protection of Traffic	1	LS	\$20,000.00	\$20,000.00	\$20,000.00	\$20,000.00
8A3	Contingency Allowance for Miscellaneous Repair Work	1	LS	\$20,000.00	\$20,000.00	\$20,000.00	\$20,000.00
TOTAL OF BASE BID ITEMS					\$566,405.00		\$539,619.00
Rank							1
BID BOND AMOUNT						5% of Bid Amount - \$26,980.95	
SURETY COMPANY						Endurance American Insurance Company	