

CITY OF BETHLEHEM

DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS INTEROFFICE MEMORANDUM

SUBJECT: Request for Approval by City Council of Contract Award or Contract Price Increase Pursuant to City Ordinance, Article 121.05 (a)

Project or Contract Reference: 2020 11 Mountaintop Pump Station Renovation Project – Electrical Construction Contract.

TO: City Council, all members, and Council Solicitor

FROM: Edward J. Boscola, P.E., Director of Water & Sewer Resources

DATE: June 11, 2020

On behalf of the Administration, pursuant to City Ordinances, Article 121.05, I request City Council's approval of the following recommendation of the referenced contract award or price increase.

- Check Type of Contract or Change:

The contract is for over \$50,000 and required to be bid under the Third Class City Code. We have advertised the above referenced project and received qualified bids. We recommend award of the contract to the bidder identified and for the reasons stated below.

The recommendation is for a price increase of 10% or more for an existing contract over \$50,000 that was previously bid and awarded under the Third Class City Code.

The contract is for the engagement of professional services. We have received and reviewed a proposal or proposals for professional services in connection with above referenced project or requirement for professional services. We recommend award of the contract.

- Is the contract appropriation or price increase included in this year's budget? yes no
- Identify contract funding sources (general fund, grants, loans, etc.....):

2020 Water Capital; 007A-77023

- The name and address of the recommended Contractor/Vendor/Professional Service Provider/Lowest Responsible Bidder are:

Orlando Diefenderfer Electrical Contractors, Inc.
116 S 2nd Street
Allentown, PA 18102

- Term of contract or estimated completion date, subject to standard extensions:

210 days from the Notice to Proceed

- Description of project or scope of services to be provided:

The project includes work associated with the following tasks:

- Installation of new generator.
 - MCC Upgrade work associated with new pumps.
 - Demolish existing unit heaters, flow/pressure transmitters.
 - Demolish existing electric service and Install new overhead electric service.
 - Installation of new electric unit heaters and disconnects, lighting, SCADA equipment.
 - Miscellaneous components necessary to complete the project.
 - Testing and startup of new system.
- State the actual or estimated price to the City or the proposed Department budget allowance for the initial term; and state payment rate per unit of service if applicable:

\$197,980

- Number of renewal term options and duration of each renewal, if any:

None


- Maximum dollar value of all renewals provided for beyond the original term as if all renewals were exercised:

N/A

- Reasons for recommendation of Administration and Council approval of contract:

Eleven (11) bids were received from contractors ranging in price from \$197,980 to \$394,594.50. The lowest base bid was from Orlando Diefenderfer Electrical Contractors Inc. References and supporting information were checked and Orlando Diefenderfer Electrical Contractors, Inc. was found to be a responsible bidder at their base bid of \$197,980.

Please approve this recommendation by passing the accompanying resolution. A vote of final approval is requested at the first City Council agenda listing of this matter.

By: 
Edward J. Boscola

Copies To: Mayor
Director of Administration
Director of Budget and Finance
Law Bureau
Purchasing Bureau
Controller
Amy Rohrbach – Project Manager

Attachment: proposed resolution

RESOLUTION NO. _____

Authorization for Contract or Amendment under Article 121.05(a)

BE IT RESOLVED by the Council of the City of Bethlehem that the Mayor and the Controller and/or such other City officials as deemed appropriate by the City Solicitor, are hereby authorized to execute a Contract or Amendment and such other agreements and documents as are deemed by the City Solicitor to be necessary and/or related thereto, with the following named contractor, for the uses and purposes indicated in the supporting Recommendation of Award of Bid or Contract dated June 11, 2020.

1. Name of Contractor: Orlando Diefenderfer Electrical Contractors, Inc.
2. Project or Contract Reference: 2020 11 Mountaintop Pump Station Renovation Project – Electrical Construction Contract

Sponsored by _____

ADOPTED by Council this _____ day of _____, 20____.

President of Council

ATTEST:

City Clerk