


STAFF REPORT

To: George Duncan, City Manager
Cc: Kimberly Simpson, Finance Director
Ryan Lane, City Attorney
From: Jason Thomas, Assistant City Manager 
Date: April 22, 2021
Re: "Discussion and Possible Action to Award a Contract for the Water Reclamation Facility Effluent Pipeline Replacement Project."

This project scope includes a new 21" effluent line from the plant to the river, a new effluent flume structure, new chemical injection building, and other associated work. Bids were advertised on March 7, 2021 and opened on April 20, 2021. The apparent low bid from Sychar LLC was \$483,673.35. There were a few minor irregularities in the bid. After review with BHI, Staff, and the funding agency (NMED), all were in concurrence that the bid was acceptable. BHI's recommendation award letter, and Sychar's Bid is attached.

Therefore, Staff recommends award of a Contract for the Water Reclamation Facility Effluent Pipeline Replacement Project to Sychar LLC, contingent on NMED approval.

Attachments:

Recommendation Letter from BHI
Bid Tabulation
Sychar LLC Bid

April 21, 2021

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Re: Water Reclamation Facility Effluent Pipeline Replacement
Award Recommendation
CWSRF 103
ITB NO. 2021-001
BHI Project No. 20190263

Dear Mr. Thomas,

Bids were opened for the above-referenced project on Tuesday, April 20, 2021 at 11:00 a.m. at the City of Bloomfield. The project consists of installing 650 feet of new effluent discharge piping, constructing a new effluent flume structure and new chemical building.

The project was bid on a lump sum cost basis. A total of three bids were received before the scheduled Bid Opening. A tabulation of the bids and the engineer's estimate of probable cost are attached. A summary of the bids is shown below:

	Total Base Bid
Sychar, LLC Bloomfield, New Mexico	\$483,673.35
TRC Construction, Inc. Flora Vista, New Mexico	\$721,226.00
Integrated Water Services, Inc. Longmont, Colorado	\$752,100.00
<i>Engineer Estimate</i>	<i>\$486,300.00</i>

These figures DO NOT include New Mexico Gross Receipts Tax at the City of Bloomfield rate of 8.3125% or contingency.

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The apparent low bidder is:

Sychar, LLC
70 RD 4980
Bloomfield, NM 87413
505.439.4033

License No. 403415
GF07, GF08, GF09, GS29, GA98
Expires: November 30, 2023

The apparent low bidder's licenses, as well as their subcontractors, have been verified with NM Licensing Services, are valid for the type of work to be accomplished and are in active status. Sychar has completed work for the City of Bloomfield on previous projects with satisfactory results.

The contract documents require that bidders hold the bid prices for a period of sixty (60) days after the bid opening to allow the owner to evaluate the bid proposals. Based on our review of the project budget, the City of Bloomfield has adequate funding to complete this project at the base bid price plus NMGRT and minor contingencies. Based on the above, I recommend that the City of Bloomfield award the project to Sychar, LLC. in the amount of \$483,673.35.

The City should take action (in the form of a vote) to accept or revise this recommendation in accordance with the City's objectives for award of the construction contract. It is my understanding that consideration of the award will take place at a regular commission meeting on April 26, 2021 contingent on NMED-CPB approval. Please do not hesitate to contact me if you have any questions or need further assistance with this prior to that time.

Sincerely,



Robert P. Richardson, PE
Vice President

RPR/kb
Enclosure(s)

cc: David Bishop, NMED - CPB
Nate Vaughn, Synchar LLC

CITY OF BLOOMFIELD
WATER RECLAMATION FACILITY EFFLUENT PIPELINE REPLACEMENT
ITB NO. 2021-001
BID REVIEW CERTIFICATION
Bid Opening: April 20, 2021

Bid Item	Description	Unit	Qty	Engineers Estimate	Sychar LLC.	TRC Construction, Inc.	Integrated Water Services, Inc.
1	Mobilization/Demobilization	LS	1	\$106,000.00	\$40,604.23	\$ 27,631.00	\$99,800.00
2	Effluent Discharge Pipe	LF	640	\$110,300.00	\$163,131.61	\$ 181,120.00	\$200,700.00
3	Effluent Flume Structure	LS	1	\$138,000.00	\$125,487.74	\$ 237,715.00	\$84,800.00
4	Chemical Building	LS	1	\$132,000.00	\$154,449.77	\$ 274,760.00	\$366,800.00
TOTAL BASE BID (Items 1 thru 4)				\$486,300.00	\$483,673.35	\$721,226.00	\$752,100.00


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