

Agenda Item Summary

Item No. 7c(8)

Council Meeting Date	October 06, 2020
Department	Water Resource Management
Submitted By	Eric Carson
Agenda Section	Consent Agenda

Name and address of person(s) or business(es) this item affects:

Suncoast Infrastructure, Inc.
1858 Hwy 49 South
Florence, Mississippi 39073

Description of item under consideration

Resolution authorizing the City Manager to execute a contract with the lowest responsible bidder, Suncoast Infrastructure, Inc., in the amount of \$426,286.40 for the Southside Sewer Basins 6 and 16 Rehabilitation Project with an additional authorization up to ten percent of the contract amount (\$42,628.64) as contingency to be used for unforeseen conditions. Details of this project can be found in the attached memorandum. Four (4) bids ranging from \$426,286.40 to \$597,751.50 were received at the September 22, 2020 bid opening.

Why is Council action needed?

Section 11-45-2(c) of the Code of Alabama requires City Council to approve a resolution to award contracts where bids are received. Sealed bids are required for all public works projects in excess of \$50,000 per Section 39-2-2 of the Code of Alabama.

Are there deadlines involved with this item?

No

Is this a budgeted item?

Yes



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MEMORANDUM

TO: James C. Buston, III – City Manager

THROUGH: Megan McGowen Crouch – Assistant City Manager

FROM: Eric A. Carson, P.E. – Water Resource Management Director

DATE: September 25, 2020

RE: Southside Sewer Basins 6 and 16 Rehabilitation Project

The Water Resource Management Department is requesting City Council approval to enter into a contract agreement for construction of the Southside Sewer Basins 6 and 16 Rehabilitation Project as bid on September 22, 2020. The project will generally consist of the following: (1) Cured-In-Place Pipe (CIPP) Rehabilitation of approximately 4,700 linear feet of sanitary sewer mains (8" – 30"); (2) Approximately 500 vertical feet of manhole lining; and (3) Various ancillary manhole repairs. These rehabilitation recommendations were identified in the sewer system evaluation surveys that were completed for Basin 6 in 2017 and Basin 16 in 2019. Southside Basin 6 is generally in the vicinity of West Longleaf Drive, West Veterans Parkway and Shug Jordan Parkway, while Southside Basin 16 is generally in the vicinity of West Magnolia Avenue, Martin Luther King Drive, Hemlock Drive and West Thach Avenue.

Four (4) bids were received for this project at the September 22, 2020 bid opening. The lowest responsible bidder is Suncoast Infrastructure, Inc. in the amount of \$426,286.40. The Water Resource Management Department and our consulting engineer, Barge Design Solutions, have evaluated the bids and recommend the award of the contract to Suncoast Infrastructure, Inc. in the amount of \$426,286.40.

Bidder	Bid Amount
Suncoast Infrastructure, Inc.	\$426,286.40
Gulf Coast Underground, LLC	\$475,145.06
Granite Inliner	\$485,565.00
IPR Southeast	\$597,751.50

RESOLUTION NO. _____

WHEREAS, the City Council of the City of Auburn has determined that it is in the best interest of the City of Auburn to perform sanitary sewer rehabilitation and improvements in Southside Sewer Basins 6 and 16; and

WHEREAS, sealed bids were opened on September 22, 2020 and Suncoast Infrastructure, Inc. was identified as the lowest responsible bidder meeting the specifications for the Southside Sanitary Sewer Basins 6 and 16 Rehabilitation Project; and

WHEREAS, the City of Auburn requests a contract agreement with Suncoast Infrastructure, Inc. in the amount of \$426,286.40 for the construction of the Southside Sanitary Sewer Basins 6 and 16 Rehabilitation Project.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the City Council of the City of Auburn, Alabama does hereby authorize the City Manager to execute a contract with Suncoast Infrastructure, Inc. for the construction of the Southside Sanitary Sewer Basins 6 and 16 Rehabilitation Project and further authorizes an additional 10 percent of the bid amount (\$42,628.64) as contingency for unforeseen conditions for a total approval of \$468,915.04.

ADOPTED AND APPROVED by the City Council of the City of Auburn, Alabama, this the 6th day of October 2020.

Mayor

ATTEST:

City Manager

September 25th, 2020

Matt Dunn, P.E.
WRM Assistant Director
City of Auburn
1501 W Samford Ave
Auburn, AL 36832

RE: Recommendation of Award
Sanitary Sewer Rehabilitation Basins 6 & 16

Dear Mr. Dunn,

As you are aware, bids were received on September 22nd, 2020 for the referenced project. Suncoast Infrastructure, Inc. was the apparent low bidder in the amount of \$426,286.40. A tabulation of the bids is attached for your use.

We have completed our review of the bid documents and find them to be in order.

Barge Design Solutions has worked with Suncoast Infrastructure in the past out of our Dothan, Alabama office, and has successfully completed over 40,000 LF of CIPP rehabilitation. Garnett VanNorman with the City of Vicksburg, Mississippi, Charles Bunniran with Allen & Hoshall and Morgan Sim with Engineering Service, Inc. were contacted and all provided a positive reference for Suncoast Infrastructure. Jason Sutphin with City of Richland, Mississippi was also contacted but could not be reached. As a result of this investigation, we recommend Suncoast Infrastructure as the successful, responsive and responsible low bidder for the project.

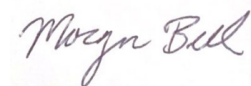
The Federal Insurance Company was the surety company for the bid bond and will most likely furnish the performance and payment bonds for this project. They are listed in the current U.S. Department of the Treasury Circular 570. They are shown as being licensed in the State of Alabama with an underwriting limitation that is greater than the bond amount. While we make no representation as to the solvency of this surety company, inclusion in this circular does indicate that they were acceptable as a surety on Federal bonds. As your Engineer, we are not qualified to assure the solvency of the surety. We would recommend that your attorney is probably in the best position to suggest procedures to assure compliance with this Alabama Law.

If you concur with our recommendation, please advise us and we will notify the contractor of award and will transmit the conformed documents to them for execution and attachment of bonds and insurance.

If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to call me.

Sincerely,

Barge Design Solutions, Inc.



Morgan Bell
Project Engineer

***** BID TABULATION *****

Sanitary Sewer Rehabilitation Basins 6 & 16

City of Auburn

Auburn, Alabama

BID: September 22, 10:00 A.M.

Bidder	Bid Total	Bid Bond Amount	Surety Company
Suncoast Infrastructure, Inc. P.O. Box 397 Florence, MS	\$426,286.40	5% of Bid Amount (not to exceed \$10,000)	Federal Insurance Company
Gulf Coast Underground, LLC 5655 Middle Road Theodore, AL	\$475,145.06	5% of Bid Amount (not to exceed \$10,000)	Fidelity and Deposit Company of Maryland
Granite Inliner, LLC 1902 Tucker Industrial Road Tucker, GA	\$485,565.00	5% of Bid Amount (not to exceed \$10,000)	Travelers Casualty and Surety Company of America
IPR Southeast, LLC 5207 Brer Rabbit Road Stone Mountain, GA	\$597,751.50	5% of Bid Amount	Everest Reinsurance Company

*indicates math error corrected