

Steve Corbeille

From: Greg Minikel
Sent: Thursday, June 14, 2018 12:10 PM
To: Steve Corbeille; Kim Lynch; Karen Dorow
Subject: FW: Proposal for Calumet Avenue
Attachments: Calumet Avenue_Manitowoc_staking summary.pdf

FYI:

From: Mike Simon [mailto:MSimon@mcmgrp.com]
Sent: Thursday, June 14, 2018 11:37 AM
To: Greg Minikel; Steve Herzog
Cc: Mick Magalski; Ryan Kubat; Shane Kelliher; Dan Koski; Mike Zimmer
Subject: RE: Proposal for Calumet Avenue

Greg,

I discussed the bids with Mick and Ryan. The issues related to this project that attribute to the higher bid prices are a combination of the following:

- 1) Relatively small quantities: Typically the smaller the quantity the higher the unit price.
- 2) Staged construction: With the staging required to maintain traffic, the contractor and his subcontractors are required to mobilize several times to the site. We tried to account for this in our OPC with the mobilization item. It appears that the contractor spread this cost out throughout the individual bid items instead of just the mobilization item.
- 3) Paving one lane at a time plus several hand pours: Due to the many grade breaks needed to match the existing intersection grades, medians, etc. The contractor likely planned to pave one lane at a time. Also there are several hand pours that would still be required. The most expensive part of a paving project is typically the intersections; this project is essentially one big intersection. The attached staking summary we put together to determine our survey quote to Vinton explains in more detail what is needed to construct the project. FYI....our staking price was actually a little higher than the one they ended up using. The difference was likely due to the number of trips (8) from Neenah including the additional travel time and mileage.
- 4) Late bid date: Whenever projects are bid later in the spring, the contractors schedules are already filling up and prices tend to go up.
- 5) Prosecution and Progress: The contract called for all lanes to be open while the County Fair is on-going. With the late bid date the contractor most likely planned to start after the Fair. With the estimated 90 calendar days to complete the project they may have factored in additional costs for late season paving and overtime costs to meet the completion date.
- 6) One bidder for the project: This typically results in higher bids.

Of the factors above, only numbers 4 and 5 above can likely be improved upon by re-bidding in December; item 5 could be changed to a completion date coinciding with the start of the Fair. Regarding number 6, If the City only had one bidder for the Dewey Street project, it's our opinion it's unlikely that re-bidding this project as a standalone project