

  
**REQUEST FOR COUNCIL ACTION**

Date: May 22, 2023  
Item No.: 10.n

Department Approval



City Manager Approval

Item Description: Reject bids for South McCarrons Retaining Wall Project 22-22

**BACKGROUND**

The McCarrons Retaining Wall was originally constructed in the early 1990’s. The wall has moved and is slowly failing due to a combination of poor design and poor construction methods. Based on the analysis done by the City’s consultant, TKDA, there is no immediate danger of the retaining wall failing. Staff continues to monitor the wall.

The design for the replacement wall includes a soil nail installation method which will minimize construction disturbances for the adjacent properties. The estimated construction cost of the retaining wall project was \$1,378,250.00.

Bids were opened for the proposed project on May 16, 2023. We received only one bid, which is from Engineering & Construction Innovations, Inc., in the amount of \$1,779,709.50. The bid received was approximately 32.5% above the estimated cost of the project.

Based on the high cost of the bid received, City staff is recommending that bids for this project be rejected and re-bid in the fall. This will likely push back the project until the summer of 2024. City staff will work with the design engineer and the contractor to try to identify elements of the project that could be redesigned or removed to lower the cost of the project.

**POLICY OBJECTIVE**

It is City policy to keep City-owned infrastructure in good operating condition and to keep systems operating in a safe condition.

**BUDGET IMPLICATIONS**

The City has spent \$91,544.51 on project development. Rejecting the bids and modifying the plans to re-bid will incur additional project development fees that are anticipated to be more than offset by savings in construction costs.

**RACIAL EQUITY IMPACT SUMMARY**

There should be no equity impacts associated with this project. The bidding process uses sealed bids to avoid potential biases. Bidders are required to certify meeting Equal Employment Opportunity and Human Rights requirements.

**STAFF RECOMMENDATION**

Staff recommends that the City Council approve the attached resolution rejecting the bid for the South McCarrons Retaining Wall Project 22-22.

**REQUESTED COUNCIL ACTION**

Consider approval of a resolution rejecting the bid for the South McCarrons Retaining Wall Project

32 22-22.

Prepared by: Stephanie Smith, Assistant City Engineer  
Attachments: A: Resolution

**EXTRACT OF MINUTES OF MEETING  
OF THE  
CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF ROSEVILLE**

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1 Pursuant to due call and notice thereof, a regular meeting of the City Council of the City  
2 of Roseville, County of Ramsey, Minnesota was duly held on the 22nd day of May, 2023,  
3 at 6:00 p.m.

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5 The following members were present:                    and                    and the following were absent: .  
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7 Member                    introduced the following resolution and moved its adoption:  
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**RESOLUTION No.**

**REJECT BIDS FOR SOUTH MCCARRONS  
RETAINING WALL PROJECT 22-22**

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14 WHEREAS, pursuant to advertisement for bids for the construction of the South  
15 McCarrons Retaining Wall Project 22-22, according to the plans and specifications  
16 thereof on file in the office of the City Manager of the City of Roseville, said bids were  
17 received on Tuesday, May 16, 2023, at 3:00 p.m., opened and tabulated according to law  
18 and the following bids were received complying with the advertisement:  
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BIDDER	Bid
Engineering & Construction Innovations, Inc.	\$1,779,709.50
<i>Engineer’s Estimate</i>	<i>\$1,342,810.55</i>

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22 WHEREAS, Engineering & Construction Innovations, Inc., was the lowest bidder at  
23 \$1,779,709.50; and  
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25 WHEREAS, the lowest bid was approximately 32.5% above the Engineer’s Estimate.  
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27 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the City Council of the City of Roseville,  
28 Minnesota, that the bids solicited for the South McCarrons Retaining Wall Project 22-22  
29 shall be rejected.  
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31 The motion for the adoption of the foregoing resolution was duly seconded by Member  
32                    , and upon a vote being taken thereon, the following voted in favor thereof:  
33                    and                    and the following voted against the same: .  
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*Reject Bids for South McCarrons Retaining Wall Project 22-22*

STATE OF MINNESOTA     )  
  ) ss  
COUNTY OF RAMSEY     )

I, the undersigned, being the duly qualified City Manager of the City of Roseville, County of Ramsey, State of Minnesota, do hereby certify that I have carefully compared the attached and foregoing extract of minutes of a regular meeting of said City Council held on the 22<sup>nd</sup> day of May, 2023, with the original thereof on file in my office.

WITNESS MY HAND officially as such Manager this 22<sup>nd</sup> day of May, 2023.

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Patrick Trudgeon, City Manager

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