CITY OF JOPLIN
COUNCIL AGENDA ITEM

ITEM
CB 2021-155 - Approval of Agreement with Dirks Heavy Contractors, LLC. for the Glendale Parallel Interceptor Improvements, Upper Reach project

MEETING DATE
September 7, 2021

ORIGINATING DEPT
Public Works/Engineering

ATTACHMENTS
CB 2021-155 Ordinance; Agreement; Bid Summary; Exhibit Map

REVIEWED BY
Director of Public Works – David Hertzberg, Director of Finance – Leslie Haase, City Attorney – Peter C. Edwards, City Manager – Nicholas Edwards

SUMMARY
This Council Bill approves an agreement with Dirks Heavy Contractors, LLC in the amount of Three Hundred Seventy-three Thousand, Six Hundred Sixty-five and 00/100 Dollars ($373,665.00) for the Glendale Parallel Interceptor Improvements, Upper Reach project.

BACKGROUND
On June 15, 2020, Council approved a work authorization with Olsson to design the replacement improvements for the lower end of the Glendale Parallel sanitary sewer system. Then on November 16, 2020, Council approved an amendment to Olsson's work authorization to prepare bid documents for the upper portion, ahead of the Connecticut Ave. street widening project. The work involves consolidating the parallel pipes under Connecticut and 34th Street into a single 8-inch diameter sewer main, thereby reducing future maintenance costs and inflow and infiltration sources. See the Exhibit Map for the project's scope. The project was advertised on July 24, 2021, and bids were opened on August 19, 2021, in accordance with the City of Joplin's procurement policies. Bids were received from 3 contractors; Dirks Heavy Contractors, LLC was confirmed to be the lowest bidder. The consultant recommends award of contract to Dirks Heavy Contractors, having reviewed their experience and been sufficiently assured of their capability to perform the work. The low bid was below the Engineer's estimate. Public Works intends to provide construction inspection and administration. In order to perform the work in the southbound lane of Connecticut, the contractor will have to close the road to accommodate construction equipment. City staff have limited the allowable time for total street closure of Connecticut Ave. to three (3) days. Message boards will be set up in advance of this impact to the traveling public; detours will be in place.

FUNDING SOURCE
FY 2020-2021 budget of the Wastewater fund

RECOMMENDATION

Staff recommends adoption of this Council Bill on an Emergency basis; being an ordinance relating to a public improvement is an emergency within the meaning of Section 2.12(6) of the HOME RULE CHARTER of the City of Joplin, Missouri and the Council hereby declares that this ordinance shall be in full force and effect from and after its passage. Specifically, adoption of this Council Bill on an emergency basis allows the contractor to begin the lengthy procedure of materials procurement as quickly as possible.