



COUNTY OF ERIE

MARK C. POLONCARZ

COUNTY EXECUTIVE

July 8, 2019

Erie County Legislature
92 Franklin Street, 4th Floor
Buffalo, New York 14202

RE: ECC Exterior Restoration – City Campus Old Post Office 2019 Transformer Vault Repairs (Rebid)

Dear Honorable Members:

This resolution is requesting authorization for the County Executive to enter into a contract with the lowest responsible bidder for the ECC Exterior Restoration – City Campus Old Post Office 2019 Transformer Vault Repairs (Rebid) project. Bids were received by the Department of Public Works on Tuesday, June 25, 2019 and a copy of the bid tabulation is attached for your reference. The County will receive 50% reimbursement from New York State for this project.

Should your Honorable Body require further information, I encourage you to contact Commissioner William E. Geary, Jr., at the Department of Public Works. Thank you for your consideration on this matter.

Sincerely yours,

Mark C. Poloncarz, Esq.
Erie County Executive

MCP/nt
Enclosure

cc: William E. Geary, Jr., Commissioner, Department of Public Works

MEMORANDUM

To: Honorable Members of the Erie County Legislature
From: Department of Public Works
Re: ECC Exterior Restoration – City Campus Old Post Office 2019 Transformer Vault Repairs (Rebid)
Date: July 8, 2019

SUMMARY

The Department of Public Works is requesting authorization for the County Executive to enter into a contract with the lowest responsible bidder for the ECC Exterior Restoration City Campus Old Post Office 2019 Transformer Vault Repairs (Rebid) project, located at 121 Ellicott Street, Buffalo New York 14203.

This project involves the structural steel replacement, replacement of concrete lids and sidewalk gratings for the two underground transformer vaults located along South Division Street of the Ellicott Street Building.

FISCAL IMPLICATIONS

Funds for the project are currently available from the previously approved, as adopted Erie County capital budget, Funds Center 122, Fund 480, E.11004 – 2011 Erie Community College – Masonry Project – City Campus. The County will receive 50% reimbursement from New York State for this project.

REASONS FOR RECOMMENDATION

The concrete lids and sidewalk gratings will be able to support vehicle loading up to the American Association of State Highway and Transportation Officials (AASHTO) H-20 rating of 32,000 lbs. per axle. The sidewalk will have the ability to safely accommodate 3-4 axle vehicles, such as a large semi-truck and trailer. The sidewalk grating will also be ADA compliant.

BACKGROUND INFORMATION

The existing transformer concrete lids and metal sidewalk grating were designed in 1980 for pedestrian ratings, which was acceptable at that time assuming traffic above was only on foot. However trucks are routinely driving over these grates for snow removal and other activities, and the City of Buffalo has since changed their requirement to AASHTO H-20 traffic loading for these reasons. In addition, National Grid has a requirement of “Heels and Wheels” for new installations, with limitations to openings in the ground limited in width to prevent passage of a ½” diameter sphere to prevent wheelchair casters from getting wedged.

The foundations and masonry of the transformer vaults were recently repaired as part of the Exterior Masonry project (COMM. 10E-18 (2016)).

CONSEQUENCES OF NEGATIVE ACTION


The existing transformer concrete lids are spalling and one existing supporting steel beam is in poor condition. In addition, both the concrete lids and metal sidewalk grating are currently not designed to withstand highway traffic loads. The sidewalk grates have been impacted from improper vehicular loading above and do not meet ADA and high heel requirements.

STEPS FOLLOWING APPROVAL

Upon Legislative approval, the County Executive will enter into a contract with the lowest responsible bidder.

COMPTROLLER'S OFFICE REVIEW

The proposed legislation has been reviewed by the Comptroller's Office and is related to an authorized capital project for which there are sufficient appropriations for the action proposed.



GREGORY GACH
Deputy Comptroller
Comptroller's Office

E.11004 – 2011 Erie Community College – Masonry Project – City Campus

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A RESOLUTION SUBMITTED BY:
DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS

RE: ECC Exterior Restoration – City Campus Old Post Office 2019
Transformer Vault Repairs (Rebid)

WHEREAS, the County of Erie received bids for the ECC Exterior Restoration – City Campus Old Post Office 2019 Transformer Vault Repairs (Rebid) project on Tuesday, June 24, 2019; and

WHEREAS, the lowest responsible bidder for the General Construction Work is Trason Development Corporation; and

WHEREAS, the County will receive 50% reimbursement from New York State for this project; and

WHEREAS, the Department of Public Works and Labella Associates DPC are recommending award of the contract to the lowest responsible bidder.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT

RESOLVED, that the County Executive is authorized to enter into a contract with the lowest responsible bidder for the ECC Exterior Restoration – City Campus Old Post Office 2019 Transformer Vault Repairs (Rebid) project for an amount not to exceed as follows:

General Construction Work

Trason Development Corporation	Base Bid:	\$ 409,000
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Total Award of General Construction Contract:		\$ 409,000
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; and be it further

RESOLVED, that the sum of \$57,400 be allocated to a Construction Contingency Fund with authorization for the County Executive to approve change orders in an amount not to exceed the Contingency Fund; and be it further

RESOLVED, that change order reductions will result in these funds being returned to the Construction Contingency Fund; and be it further

RESOLVED, that the Comptroller's Office be authorized to make payment for all the above from the approved, as amended 2011 capital budget, Fund 480, Funds Center 122, follows:

E.11004 – 2011 ECC – Masonry Project – City Campus

\$466,400

; and be it further

RESOLVED, that two certified copies of this resolution be sent to the Department of Public Works, Commissioner's Office, and one copy each to the Office of the County Executive, the Division of Budget and Management, and the Office of the Comptroller, and one copy to SUNY Erie and Financial Officer.



Project Name: ECC City Campus, Old Post Office 2019 Exterior Restoration, Transformer Vault Repairs (REBID) **Bid Date:** June 25, 2019
DPW Project #: 2019-955-01 **Bid Time:** 10:30 AM
Project Manager: Natalie Tan, RA **A/E Firm:** Labella Associates
DPW Inspector: Darryl Ambrose

BID TABULATION SHEET
FOR
GENERAL CONSTRUCTION WORK

BIDDER	BASE BID	COMPLETION TIME (CALENDAR DAYS)
Pinto Construction Services	\$536,695.00	150
Trason Development	\$409,000.00	190

DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS
OFFICE OF THE COMMISSIONER

DPW Rev. 05/2015

TO: JOHN SOLECKI, COMPTROLLER'S OFFICE

PROPOSED RESOLUTIONS REQUIRING RULE 55

CONTRACT APPROVAL CHECKLIST
CONFIRMATION OF AVAILABILITY OF FUNDS IN CAPITAL PROJECTS

REQUESTING DEPARTMENT

COMPLETE ITEMS 1 THROUGH 5

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| 1. CONTRACTOR'S NAME | <u>Construction Contingency</u>
<u>Trason Development Corporation</u> |
| 2. AMOUNT OF CONTRACT | <u>Construction Contingency \$ 57,400.00</u>
<u>Trason Development Corporation \$ 409,000.00</u> |
| 3. PROJECT NUMBER | <u>E.11004 - \$466,400.00</u> |
| 4. PROJECT TITLE | <u>ECC Exterior Restoration – City Campus Old</u>
<u>Post Office 2019 Transformer Vault Repairs</u>
<u>(Rebid)</u> |
| 5. DEPARTMENT CONTACT | <u>Funding questions: Kristofer Straus, PE at x7294</u>
<u>Letter pickup: Christy Weber at x8301</u> |

COMPTROLLER'S OFFICE

COMPLETE ITEMS 6 AND 7

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| 6. AVAILABILITY OF FUNDS | <u>\$ 466,868.16</u> |
| 7. PERFORMED BY | <u><i>John L. Whelan</i></u> |
| Date Sent to Comptroller's Office: | <u>June 27, 2019</u> |

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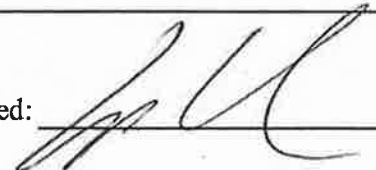
PROJECT TITLE: E.11004 2011 ECC-Masonry Project-City Campus

1) IS THE REASON FOR THIS CONTRACT CONSISTENT WITH THE PURPOSE OF THE PROJECT: YES X NO

2) PROJECT AVAILABLE APPROPRIATION

Total Project Revenues	\$ <u>1,751,415.63</u>
Total Project Appropriations	\$ <u>2,000,000.00</u>
Less: Total Expenditure To Date	\$ <u>1,504,806.84</u>
Total Commitments	\$ <u>28,325.00</u>
Available Appropriations As Of Date Of Request	\$ <u>466,868.16</u>
Less: Contract Amount	\$ <u>466,400.00</u>
Net Available Appropriations	\$ <u><u>468.16</u></u>

Comments: \$246,608.79 cash is in the project. This project is eligible for 50% reimbursement from NYS.

Request Approved: 

Request Denied: _____

Date: 6/28/19