

CITY OF JOPLIN COUNCIL AGENDA ITEM

ITEM

CB 2023-121 Construction Agreement for the E. Baker's Branch Sewer Extension, Phases 1 and 2 projects, and containing an emergency clause.

MEETING DATE

May 1, 2023

ORIGINATING DEPT

Public Works / Engineering

ATTACHMENTS

CB 2023-121 Ordinance; Bid Summary; Local Vendor Request Letter; Agreement; Exhibit Map

REVIEWED BY

Director of Public Works: Daniel Johnson; Director of Finance: Leslie Haase; City Attorney: Peter Edwards; Assistant City Manager: Tony Robyn; City Manager: Nicholas Edwards

SUMMARY

This Council Bill approves a Construction Agreement with Rosetta Construction, Inc., for the E. Baker's Branch Sewer Extension, Phases 1 and 2 Project in the amount of Three Million Six Hundred Fifty-Three Thousand Seven Hundred Twenty-Nine and 00/100 Dollars (\$3,653,729.00).

BACKGROUND

In the 1990s, the City of Joplin assisted financially with the Missouri Department of Transportation (MoDOT) in the construction of the Highway 249 ("the Rangeline Bypass") as a means of growing the City. In recent years, City staff have received inquiries about sewer service from various developers interested in improving properties along the Highway 249 corridor. However, development along the corridor was never cost-effective due to the lack of utility infrastructure. This project assists in facilitating development along the Highway 249 corridor.

This project will extend sanitary sewer service from the east side of Duquesne Road (just south of Zora Ave.) to the highway interchanges at Zora and Newman Road. See the attached exhibit map for reference. Design for the project was done by Allgeier, Martin and Associates. The project was advertised on March 24, 2023, and bids were opened on April 20, 2023, in accordance with the City of Joplin's procurement policies. Bids were received from 3 contractors, two of which were below the engineer's estimate; see the attached Bid Summary for reference. Rosetta Construction, Inc. was not the lowest bidder of the base bid (Phase 1), which was the published means for awarding the construction contract. Infrastructure-Solutions' bid was \$3,167,080.00 and Rosetta's bid was \$3,178,222.50, which is 0.35% higher than the lowest bid. Rosetta Construction, Inc. is being awarded the bid through the City's local vendor preference, in accordance with the City of Joplin's procurement manual, which allows a contractor to be considered local when a local sub-contractor will perform at least sixty percent of the value of the total [base bid] work to be performed. Rosetta has submitted documentation showing that Southard Construction will perform at least 60% of the base bid work. Public Works intends to provide construction administration and inspection.

FUNDING SOURCE

Sanitary Sewer Fund

RECOMMENDATION

Staff recommends approval of this Council Bill on an emergency basis, being an ordinance for infrastructure improvements, and to be an emergency within the meaning of Section 2.12(6) of the HOME RULE CHARTER of the City of Joplin, Missouri, and as such, this Ordinance shall become effective immediately upon its passage. Specifically, the agreement needs to be approved as quickly as possible due to material price volatility.