

City Council Agenda Memo

From: Dusty Rodiek, Parks, Recreation & Forestry Director

Council Meeting: April 8, 2020

Subject: Bob Shelden Athletic Field Complex Renovation Project Bid Award

Person(s) Responsible: Dusty Rodiek, Parks, Recreation & Forestry Director

Summary:

Staff recommends awarding the Bob Shelden Athletic Field Complex Renovation Project to Clark Drew Construction, Inc. for the low bid of \$2,516,000 with the addition of Alternate 3 for \$91,500 (Permeable pavers and associated drainage paid by the drainage fund) and Alternate 5A* for \$223,000 (synthetic infield turf paid by FOB) for a total project cost of \$2,830,500.

The existing bidding environment is favorable and bonding authority was granted last year for this project. Current City financial projections and modeling based on today's environment for the Capital Improvement Fund allows for this project. The facility is in need of many infrastructure renovations.

*Inclusion of Alternate 5A would be contingent upon acceptance of (FOB) Friends of Baseball Letter of Commitment.

Background:

The City Council has approved funding of \$2,800,00.00 as a construction budget for the Bob Shelden Athletic Field Complex Renovation Project. Those funds were to include the cost of construction administration and contingency. A remaining balance of \$300,000.00 was left in the bond fund to be used as additional contingency or for other infrastructure projects. Friends of Baseball will provide funding to the project for the cost of the synthetic turf along with a letter of commitment to fund replacement of the synthetic turf at the end of its normal life span (10-12 years).

Item Details:

The City held a bid letting on Tuesday, March 17, 2020 and received the following base bids for the Bob Shelden Athletic Field Complex Renovation Project:

- Clark Drew Construction, Inc. Brookings, SD: \$2,516,000.00
- Schwartzle Construction, Tea, SD.: \$2,749,000.00

The lump sum base bid for the Bob Shelden renovation includes the following project items:

- Field Lighting – New field light poles with attached energy efficient LED fixtures will be installed. The new lighting will bring the light levels on the field to established safety standards for facilities of this type.
- Spectator Experience – Improvements related to the fan experience will include the replacement of the grandstand seating area/canopy, perimeter fencing and spectator circulation and safety.
- Parking Area – The shared use parking area will be completely reconstructed. The parking orientation and location of the landscape islands will be reoriented to improve traffic flow and create seven additional parking stalls. Particular attention will be paid to drainage and the use of permeable pavers will assist with storm water management.
- Playing Field – Project elements related to the playing field include shifting the playing surface to the south to preserve the existing mature trees on site, improved field drainage through proper grading and additional drain tiling, field fencing, backstop netting, dugouts and irrigation.

The bid format for this project included several alternates. Contractor pricing and description for each alternate can be found on the attached Bid Tabulation sheet. The bid prices for this project fell within the budget range established by project consultants.

The selected local contractor will begin work upon award of the bid with a projected completion date of December 1, 2020.

Legal Consideration:

None.

Strategic Plan Consideration:

This project will accomplish Goal #4 of the Existing/New Amenities section of the 2018-2023 Strategic Plan. Additionally, the overall site drainage improvements and storm water control measures identified in the project will assist in achieving goals to manage storm water. Conversion to LED lighting within the entire project scope will reduce energy use on the site. Inclusion of synthetic turf for the infield area will reduce overall water use, turf related chemicals and fertilizer on the site. These measures will reduce the operational expense of the Bob Shelden Field.

Financial Consideration:

The bids received were very competitive and favorable. Staff recommends entering into a contract with Clark Drew Construction, Inc. for the amount of \$ 2,830,500.00.

Alternate 3 – Permeable Pavers \$91,500 will be funded utilizing Stormwater Drainage funds.

Friends of Baseball will fund \$232,000 of that total to include the cost of Alternate 5A – Field Turf synthetic infield turf and associated drainage.

Options and Recommendation:

The City Council has the following options:

1. Approve as presented
2. Deny

Staff recommends approval of the resolution as presented.

Supporting Documentation:

1. Resolution
2. Bid Tabulation Sheet
3. Project Area Map
4. Friends of Baseball documents