

**Public Works Memorandum
NO. 2009-39**

DATE: June 5, 2009

TO: Honorable Mayor McElroy and City Council

FROM: Ryan P. McCrady, City Manager
Richard G. Marley, P.E., Director of Engineering & Infrastructure

SUBJECT: 2009 Miscellaneous Sanitary Sewer Improvement Project, City Project 09-09

SUMMARY RECOMMENDATION:

It is recommended by staff that the City Council approve the attached resolution awarding the contract for the 2009 Miscellaneous Sanitary Sewer Improvement Project, City Project 09-09, to Barr and Robison Sewer & Excavating., Inc., as the lowest, responsible bidder in the amount of \$498,766, and that the Mayor be authorized to execute the contract, and the City Clerk to attest.

BACKGROUND:

Prior Council Actions

The 2009 Miscellaneous Sanitary Sewer Improvement Project is an annual project prepared by the Public Works Department to assist with general improvements to the City's sanitary sewer system.

Current Project

The 2009 Miscellaneous Sanitary Sewer Improvement Project includes work to install new manholes at various locations in the City to assist with ongoing maintenance work by providing better access for cleaning and inspection equipment. The project will remove and replace damaged sanitary sewer segments as they are identified through televised inspections. A significant component of this project includes the ability to perform rapid response work as sewer system problems arise that need to be addressed quickly. Having bid prices in place for sewer repairs enables the City to move rapidly to address collapsed pipe or sink holes as they are located in the sewer system and before they turn into major public health problems. This reduces the number of emergency time and material repair contracts that must be brought before the City Council.

The project plans and specifications were prepared by Engineering Division staff. The project was advertised Friday, May 22, 2009, and bids were opened on Friday, June 5, 2009. The results for the letting are as follows:

<u>Bidder</u>	<u>Bid Price</u>	<u>Compared to Engineer's Est. Over (-Under)</u>
Engineer's Estimate	\$509,209	----
Barr and Robison Sewer & Excavating, Inc.	\$498,766	(-2.05%)
Burdick Plumbing & Heating Co.	\$504,828	(-0.86%)

Barr and Robison Sewer & Excavating, Inc. is in compliance with the City's Responsible Bidder's Ordinance and has complied with the Illinois Prevailing Wage Act for many years. Barr and Robison provided the lowest responsible bid for the proposed work and has successfully completed many projects of this type for the City. Staff recommends that the City Council approve a contract with Barr and Robison Sewer & Excavating, Inc. to perform the 2009 Miscellaneous Sanitary Sewer Improvement Project.

POTENTIAL OBJECTION: There are no known objections to this resolution.

INPUT FROM OTHER SOURCES: None

STAFF REFERENCE: Richard Marley, Director of Public Works and Matt Newell, City Engineer. Richard Marley will be in attendance at the City Council meeting to answer any questions of the Council on this item.

BUDGET/TIME IMPLICATIONS:

Budget Impact: Funding for this project is currently allocated in the Sewer Fund. The recommended low bid amount is \$498,766.

Staff Impact: The Capital Improvement Plan has allocated staff time for this project. The project will begin within 10 days and be completed by June, 2010.

This memorandum was prepared by Matthew C. Newell, P.E., City Engineer.

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cc: Dick Borders, Municipal Services Manager
Bobby Davidson, Engineering Technician Supervisor
Barr and Robison Sewer & Excavating, Inc.
Burdick Plumbing & Heating Co.

RESOLUTION NO. _____

**RESOLUTION ACCEPTING THE BID AND AUTHORIZING
THE EXECUTION OF A CONTRACT FOR
2009 MISCELLANEOUS SANITARY SEWER IMPROVEMENT PROJECT
CITY PROJECT 09-09**

**BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF DECATUR,
ILLINOIS:**

Section 1. That the tabulation of bids received for City Project 09-09, 2009 Miscellaneous Sanitary Sewer Improvement Project, and presented herewith be received and placed on file.

Section 2. That the bid of \$498,766 be accepted and a contract awarded, accordingly.

Section 3. That the Mayor and City Clerk be, and they are hereby authorized and directed to execute a contract between the City of Decatur, Illinois, and Barr and Robison Sewer & Excavating, Inc., for said plan for their bid price of \$498,766.

PRESENTED and ADOPTED this 15th day of June, 2009.

Michael T. McElroy, Mayor

ATTEST:

Celeste F. Harris, City Clerk