



Legislation Text

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PROPOSED BID RECOMMENDATION

Department: Department of Planning and Development

Request: Authorization for the Forest Preserves of Cook County (the “Forest Preserves”) to enter into a construction contract with Burling Builders, primary place of business Chicago, Illinois, for improvements at Salt Creek Landscape Maintenance Headquarters located near North Riverside.

Reason: Contract #74000011607 issued under Project #22-80-26 is for the redevelopment of the Salt Creek Landscape Maintenance Headquarters campus. Work includes, but is not limited to, the demolition of an existing 1930s-era garage that over time had been converted to an office space, demolition of an older existing metal storage garage and replacement of both structures with a single office/garage headquarters building. The new energy-efficient facility will include a training room, locker rooms, washrooms and offices and a 5-bay vehicle storage garage. The all-electric, super-insulated structure will run on renewable energy (a geo-thermal heating system and rooftop solar panels). A \$4.4 million Build Illinois Bond grant will cover more than half the cost of the work (see grant award Board Item No. 22-0250).

Burling Builders is recommended as the lowest qualified local bidder.

Bid Opening Date: 11/9/2022

Bid Results:

1. George Sollitt	\$7,999,294.00*
2. AGAE Contractors Inc	\$8,075,000.00**
3. Burling Builders	\$8,113,500.00***
4. K.R. Miller Contractors Inc	\$8,117,000.00
5. Construction Inc.	\$8,175,000.00
6. PATH	\$8,235,000.00
7. Pacific Construction	\$8,493,422.00

* George Sollitt (Wood Dale, DuPage County, Illinois) does not meet the definition of a local business under Forest Preserve Code Section 1-8-2E.

** AGAE Contractors Inc. (Chicago, Illinois) submitted insufficient qualifications to perform the scope of work of this contract.

*** Burling Builders (Chicago, Illinois) is a local qualified business with a bid of 1.4% higher than the bid submitted by George Sollitt. Forest Preserve Code Section 1-8-2E authorizes the procurement of goods and services from a local business provided its bid is no more than five percent (5%) higher than the bid from a non-local bidder.

Estimated Fiscal Impact: \$3,713,500.00 (FY 2023 \$1,300,000.00; FY 2024 \$2,413,500.00); with \$4,400,000.00 to be reimbursed by IDNR grant

Contract Period: Five hundred seventy (570) days from notice to proceed

Account Name/Number: Property Maintenance and Operations bond funds 51027.560105, grant funds 51010.560105, Capital Improvement funds 51009.560105, Construction & Development funds 51028.560105, 51030.560105, 51031.560105, 51033.560105, 51051.560105 and future Construction and Development funds

District: 16

Concurrence(s): The Chief Financial Officer and Chief Attorney have approved this item.

The vendor has met the Minority-and Women-owned Business Enterprise Ordinance via direct participation.