

**COMMISSION FILE NO:** 21-100-7 **DATE INTRODUCED:** July 12, 2021

**INTRODUCED BY:** Executive Director (Signature on File in the Office of the Commission)

**REFERRED BY COMMISSION CHAIRPERSON TO:** Operations Committee

**RELATING TO:** Reject Bids for Contract J06080C06, Tunnel 271 Piping Replacement and Structural Repairs at the Jones Island Water Reclamation Facility

**SUMMARY:**

The Commission is requested to authorize and direct the Executive Director to reject all bids for Contract J06080C06, Tunnel 271 Piping Replacement and Structural Repairs at the Jones Island Water Reclamation Facility (JIWRF).

JIWRF has multiple tunnels that connect facilities and provide space for piping, including sludge, natural gas (NG), water, and air piping. Within one tunnel, the NG, process air, and instrument air lines require replacement, as water leaking through the tunnel walls has caused these pipes to corrode. To address these issues, District staff developed a bid package (J06080C06) that consisted of replacing portions of the above pipelines and performing tunnel grouting to reduce water leakage into the tunnel.

The District publicly advertised and received bids for this contract in May 2021. The District received two bids as shown below and determined both bids to be responsive and responsible.

Bidder	Bid Amount
Lee Plumbing Mechanical Contractors, Inc.	\$679,300
Zien Service, Inc.	\$705,355

The low bid came in significantly higher than estimated (\$150,000). While the cost of the pipeline replacement was reasonable, the tunnel grouting work was significantly higher than the estimate.

**ATTACHMENTS:** **BACKGROUND** ☐ **KEY ISSUES** ☐ **RESOLUTION** ☒

**FISCAL NOTE** ☐ **S/W/MBE** ☐ **OTHER** ☐ \_\_\_\_\_

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District staff recommends that the Commission reject all bids. Staff is investigating the reason for the high bid. After determining the reason, staff will reconfigure the contract, readvertise, and publicly bid this reconfigured contract.

## **RESOLUTION**

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**RESOLVED**, by the Milwaukee Metropolitan Sewerage Commission, that the Executive Director is authorized and directed to reject all bids for Contract J06080C06, Tunnel 271 Piping Replacement and Structural Repairs at the Jones Island Water Reclamation Facility.