

## MEMORANDUM

**To:** Mayor and City Council Members  
Douglas Faseler, City Manager

**From:** Timothy J. Howe, Director – Water / Wastewater Utilities

**Through:** Rick Cortes, Assistant City Manager

**Subject:** Water Treatment Plant Electrical Generator Platform and Appurtenances

**Date:** March 20, 2019

On March 19, 2019, the City of Seguin opened bids for the Water Treatment Plant Electrical Generator Platform and Appurtenances project. The project consists of the construction of an electrical generator raised steel platform, stairway, control panels to include automation, wiring / conduit, and the installation of a City supplied generator and transfer switches. The duration of the contract is 180 consecutive calendar days. This project is designed to provide emergency power to the high service pumps that are used to distribute treated surface or ground water to our residential and commercial / industrial customers.

Qualified bids were received from two contractors ranging from a low base bid of \$495,027.00 from R.P. Constructors, Inc. to a high base bid of \$671,927.00 from MGC Contractors, Inc. Austin CES Practice Leader, Craig Bell, P.E. with TRC Engineering and city staff reviewed the proposed bids and recommend awarding the contract to the low base bid of \$495,027.00 from R.P. Constructors, Inc. TRC and the City both have experience with R.P. Constructors, Inc. on previous projects and they have provided acceptable work. In addition to the base bid, TRC and city staff recommend including the additive alternates which provide hydro excavation in the vicinity of a 30 inch water main and the loading / transporting of the generator from the Utility Operations Center in the amount of \$40,000.00 for a total contract award of \$535,027.00. Staff is requesting an additional \$22,200.00 in contingency for a not to exceed amount of \$557,227.00. Current funding allotted for this project is \$850,000.00 and is provided from the Utility Fund Capital Projects.

Please find the attached Bid Recommendation Letter from TRC recommending the award of the Water Treatment Plant Electrical Generator Platform and Appurtenances project. Staff concurs with this recommendation and will be available to answer any questions at the Tuesday, April 2, 2019 City Council Meeting.