

CITY COUNCIL MEMORANDUM

FROM: The Office of the City Manager **DATE:** April 11, 2022
SUBJECT: Consider award of a construction contract to R&D Burns Brothers, Inc. for utility reconstruction work on five residential streets designated as bond projects in the amount of \$1,727,955.00.
PRESENTER: Caroline Waggoner, Director of Public Works

SUMMARY:

Consider award of a construction contract with R&D Burns Brothers, Inc. for the utility reconstruction work on five residential streets designated as bond projects in the amount of \$1,727,955 for the Meadow Oak Drive (ST2114), Pearl Street (ST2115), Southampton Drive (ST2116), Stonybrooke Drive (ST2119) and Dawn Drive (ST2210) projects.

GENERAL DESCRIPTION:

The 2020 Street Bond program includes reconstruction funding for both major and residential streets as identified by the 2020 Capital Programs Advisory Committee (CPAC) and approved by City Council in early 2020. The major roadway reconstruction projects will be designed by engineering consultants and bid out as turn-key construction projects. The residential reconstructions, however, will be managed by Public Works personnel in a manner similar to that of a general contractor. In year one (FY2020/2021) city forces handled the utility reconstruction in-house for the first two residential streets, and began working on the year two residential streets in late 2021. Unfortunately, current staffing levels will not allow for continued in-house performance of the utility component. Therefore, City staff released a bid for utility contractor services to handle reconstruction of the existing water and sanitary sewer mains located beneath the roadway pavement on the remaining year two and some of the year three residential street bond projects prior to any paving work taking place.

The bid award under consideration is for the utility work needed on three "Year 2" residential projects: Meadow Oak Drive, Pearl Street, and Southampton Drive. Two "Year 3" projects are also included in this effort: Stonybrooke Drive and Dawn Drive.

Notice of the City's intent to bid was advertised in local newspapers, as required by state statute, and posted on the City's website. Bid specifications were viewed on the City's website by multiple entities. The project received three bids, which were opened during the March 11, 2022 bid opening. The bids are provided below:



CONTRACTOR NAME	BASE BID
Excel 4 Construction, Inc.	\$ 1,738,485.00
Atkins Brothers	\$ 6,928,150.00
R&D Burns Brothers Inc.	\$ 1,727,955.00

City staff recommends awarding the contract to the lowest bidder: R&D Burns Brothers, Inc. R&D Burns Brothers, Inc. has performed work in the city in the past on residential street reconstruction as a utility subcontractor to a larger general or paving contractor. In addition to a favorable history in NRH, local municipal references have nothing but positive things to say about this company's job performance. Construction is anticipated to begin in May / June 2022, with the paving work to follow in early summer.

RECOMMENDATION:

Approve a construction contract with R&D Burns Brothers, Inc., for utility reconstruction work on five residential streets designated as bond projects in the amount of \$1,727,955.00, for the Meadow Oak Drive, Pearl Street, Southampton Drive, Stonybrooke Drive and Dawn Drive bond projects.