

April 4, 2022

RE: Town of Munster 2022 Sidewalk Replacement Program SEH No. MUNST 158600

Mr. Dustin Anderson, Town Manager Town of Munster 1005 Ridge Road Munster, IN 46321

Dear Mr. Anderson:

On Friday, April 1, 2022, bids were received and read aloud for the 2022 Sidewalk Replacement Program project. The project includes removal and replacement of residential and commercial sidewalk deemed to be tripping hazards. Construction costs will be evenly shared between property owners and the Town through the Town's 50/50 Sidewalk Replacement Program.

The project was publicly bid pursuant to state and local bidding regulations. Bids were based on an estimated quantity of sidewalk to be replaced in order to obtain a unit cost per square foot for replacement. Actual quantities replaced under this contract will be determined based on participation in the program and available funds.

Two bids were received for the project:

- \$180,300.00 from JJ Newell Concrete Contractors, Inc. (JJ Newell)
- \$261,080.00 from FH Paschen, SN Nielsen & Associates, LLC (FH Paschen)

The Engineer's estimate is \$182,000. The bids were reviewed and tabulated by SEH on the attached Bid Tabulation.

As a part of their bid, bidders represent that they visited the site; reviewed all bidding documents; have given the Engineer or Owner written notice of any conflicts, errors, ambiguities, or discrepancies that bidder found in the Bidding Documents; are able to complete the work in the timeframe provided; and that the bid documents were sufficient to convey the requirements of the project.

Our recommendation is to award the project to the lowest responsive, responsible bidder, JJ Newell at their bid price of \$180,300.00. JJ Newell has performed sidewalk replacement work for the Town of Munster for the last several years. They are familiar with the Town's program and are fully capable of performing the required work for this project.

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We hope this analysis of the bids is adequate for your needs. Please do not hesitate to contact me if you have any questions or require additional information.

Sincerely,

SEH OF INDIANA, LLC

Jill E. DiTommaso, PE Professional Engineer

Attachment

cc: Town Council Members

Robin Streets, Deputy Town Manager Stephen Gunty, Director of Public Works Chris Spolnik, Superintendent of Operations

David Westland, Town Attorney

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