



# MEMORANDUM

**To:** Mayor and City Councilors  
**From:** Rich Olson, City Manager  
**Date:** March 7, 2013  
**Re:** Consideration – Award of Bid for Firing Range

## **BACKGROUND:**

One of the capital projects included in the Police Department's budget was the construction of a new firing range to replace the one that has been encroached on by Tanglewood Apartments. The new range will be 3,500 feet from the existing range and should not cause a noise issue because of the vegetation.

Included in the Police Department's budget was \$150,000 for the first phase of the firing range work. The scope of work covers the pistol range and includes the construction of a 25' high berm that will be 180' wide with 15' high side berms. All berms will be at a 1:1 slope. Existing drainage ditches on the property will be filled. The next phase includes the construction of the rifle range component of the facility.

On March 6, 2013, City staff opened formal quotes on the construction of the pistol range with two alternatives. Alternative One includes the construction of the gravel road to the site and the installation of several culverts. Alternative Two covers the placement on the berm of a turf enforcement to stabilize the 1:1 berm slope.

## **ANALYSIS:**

On March 6, 2013, the City received four quotes on the scope of work called for in the bid document. Below is the bid tabulation table:

Contractor	Base Bid	Alternate 1	Alternate 2	Total Amount
Whitehurst Sand Company	\$111,305.00	\$38,593.00	\$32,638.00	\$182,536.00
Barnhill Contracting Company	186,473.00	44,830.00	16,800.00	248,103.00
Parks Land Development	149,400.00	44,960.00	42,900.00	237,260.00
RPC Contracting Company	250,220.00	52,310.00	44,870.00	347,400.00

The apparent low bidder is Whitehurst Sand Company who submitted a base bid of \$111,305. In addition, they bid \$38,593 for Alternative One and \$32,638 for Alternative Two. The total amount of the bid with both alternatives is \$182,536. The total bid exceeds the budgeted amount. Staff is requesting that the Council award the base bid and Alternative One in the amount of \$149,898 to Whitehurst Sand Company. If during the construction of the berm Alternative Two is warranted, staff will incorporate \$32,638 in next year's budget along with certain parts of Phase II.

The Finance Committee discussed this matter during their meeting held on March 7, 2013 and recommends approval.

***STAFF RECOMMENDATION:***

By Motion, award the base bid and Alternative 1 of the firing range project to Whitehurst Sand Company in the amount of \$149,898.

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