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	Agenda Item No. 40A Roll Call No. [] Communication No. <u>12-046</u> Submitted by: William G. Stowe, Assistant City Manager – Public Works Director

AGENDA HEADING:

Approving the purchase of manhole castings and inlet grates for use by the Department of Public Works Sewer Maintenance Division

SYNOPSIS:

The Department of Public Works performs a broad range of maintenance activities on the City’s sanitary, storm and flood protection infrastructure. When necessary the Department of Public Works installs new castings and lids or grates when repairing access points (manholes) or stormwater inlets. The purchase of these castings and grates replenishes the inventory needed to complete the 2012 Sewer Maintenance Program.

FISCAL IMPACT:

Amount: \$75,960.00

Funding Source: 2011-2012 Operating Budget, \$39,200.00, EN000, PWK071001/Sewer Maintenance Clearing (55% sanitary & 45% storm) & \$20,250.00, EN101, PWK071000/Sanitary Sewer Maintenance page 256; \$16,510.00, EN301, PWK071600/Storm Sewer Maintenance, page 266.

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION:

The Department of Public Works requested the Finance Department Procurement Division to solicit bids for the purchase of manhole castings and inlet castings for use in the upcoming 2012 construction season. The Procurement Division solicited bids by advertisement and mailing invitation to Bid #V12-043 to eight (8) potential bidders with three bids being received. The Department of Public Works reviewed the subject bid and found that the three bidders responding were compliant to the bid, except for an “alternate” item bid by East Jordan Iron Works was found to be non-compliant in that the lid size quoted is larger than specifications allow and would not match the existing casting in the field. The award of item #6 to Neenah, as the next lowest responsive bidder, results in additional costs for shipping, and therefore, it is staff’s recommendation to award Item #6 to Deeter Foundry. Staff also noted a significant difference in bid pricing on Item #5 “Type V intake grates”. Staff verified with the three bidders that the gap was due to two of the companies bidding complete castings including the grate, where the low bidder simply bid the grate as specified in the bid documents.

Through their review and analysis, Public Works’ staff determined that the low compliant bidder for Items #1 and #5 is East Jordan Iron Works, Inc. (Frederick Malpass, President, 301 Spring Street, PO

Box 439, East Jordan, MI 49727), in the amount of \$46,760.00. For Items #2, #3, #4 and #6, the low compliant bidder is Deeter Foundry (Bob Ostendorf, President, PO Box 29708, Lincoln, NE 68529), in the amount of \$29,200.00.

PREVIOUS COUNCIL ACTION(S):

Date: January 25, 2010

Roll Call Number: 10-128

Action: [Deeter](#) Foundry (Bob Ostendorf/President) for manhole castings for use by the Public Works Department, \$117,040. (Eight bids mailed, four received). **Moved by Mahaffey to adopt. Motion Carried 7-0.**

Date: March 9, 2009

Roll Call Number: 09-396

Action: [Deeter](#) Foundry for manhole castings for use by the Public Works Department (Sewer Division), \$153,200. (Ten bids mailed, four received). ([Council Communication No. 09-133](#)) **Moved by Vlassis to adopt. Motion Carried 7-0.**

BOARD/COMMISSION ACTION(S): NONE

ANTICIPATED ACTIONS AND FUTURE COMMITMENTS: NONE

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