



7/12/2019

Robert Perry, Public Works Director
Archuleta County
P.O. Box 1507
Pagosa Springs, CO 81147

Re: 2019 Vista Boulevard Asphalt Preservation Project – Bid Abstract \$ Recommendation

Dear Robert,

The purpose of this correspondence is to provide a recommendation after receiving bids for the 2019 Vista Boulevard Asphalt Preservation Project. Attached please find the bid abstract detailing the bids received on July 9. As you can see from the bid abstract only one bid was received and said bid was nearly 32% higher than our estimate. It is important to note the difference between the engineer's estimate and bid received for Item 3a Chip Seal, Bituminous Seal Coat. We discussed the options and came to the following determination.

We recommend that the County not award the project based on only one bid being received and the apparent high price. We then recommend to add the asphalt patching on Vista Boulevard, via change order, to the previously awarded 2019 Asphalt Preservation Project slated to begin August 1. This will allow the County to move forward with the much needed patching on Vista Boulevard in a fair and reasonable manner.

The following should provide some context to support this determination. First, shortly after the pre-bid conference, we were informed by a plan holder (a local contractor) that they would not be submitting a bid. Their reason being, a subcontractor needed to provide chip sealing services could not be procured. We were informed that a regional contractor that we have used in the past would no longer be doing any chip sealing in the four corners area. Also, another regional contractor out of Grand Junction could not commit to a project with such small plan quantities. Due to these developments, we were left with only one prospective bidder subject to the same challenges previously mentioned, which could explain the increase in pricing from bids we have received in recent years.

Finally, it is important to recognize this may be the new normal. With the regional contractor no longer chip sealing in our area, it may be in the County's and our best interest to reevaluate surface treatments for asphalt maintenance projects going forward. If we are able put together a chip seal project with large enough quantities, we may be able to generate more interest and see pricing like we have in the past.

Please contact us with any questions, comments or concerns.

Thank you,

Travis W. Phillips

c.c.: Mike Davis, Davis Engineering Service, Inc.
attach.: 2019 Vista Boulevard Asphalt Preservation Project – Bid Abstract

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Item	Quantity	Units	Engineer's Estimate		Precision Asphalt Paving, LLC	
			Unit Price	Extension	Unit Price	Extension
Subgrade Stabilization, Aggregate	35	c.y.	\$60.00	\$2,100.00	\$90.00	\$3,150.00
Subgrade Stabilization, Geogrid	100	s.y.	\$4.00	\$400.00	\$6.00	\$600.00
Crack Sealing	275	lbs.	\$6.00	\$1,650.00	\$2.25	\$618.75
Chip Seal, Bituminous Seal Coat	3920	gal.	\$6.00	\$23,520.00	\$13.75	\$53,900.00
Chip Seal, Chips (3/8" Dia.)	140	tons	\$100.00	\$14,000.00	\$40.00	\$5,600.00
Class 6 ABC, Replace	100	c.y.	\$60.00	\$6,000.00	\$70.00	\$7,000.00
Mill Surface and Overlay (1.5" Thick each)	90	s.y.	\$40.00	\$3,600.00	\$30.00	\$2,700.00
Full Depth Patch (4" Thick)	300	s.y.	\$55.00	\$16,500.00	\$55.00	\$16,500.00
Pavement Marking, Yellow	25	gal.	\$100.00	\$2,500.00	\$100.00	\$2,500.00
Pavement Marking, White	28	gal.	\$100.00	\$2,800.00	\$100.00	\$2,800.00
Traffic Control	1	l.s.	\$7,500.00	\$7,500.00	\$12,000.00	\$12,000.00
Mobilization & Demobilization	1	l.s.	\$7,500.00	\$7,500.00	\$8,600.00	\$8,600.00
Base Bid Total:				\$88,070.00		\$115,968.75