

Minutes of Special Meeting held December 11, 2017

Special Meeting with the following present: Mayor Mark Bowen; Aldermen Jerry Stone, Ruben Gonzalez, Jr., Sam Cortez and Jamie Dahler; City Secretary Josie Campa; Director of Public Works James McGrath.

Visitors: Jared Niermann, Rudy Ruiz, Mrs. Jared Niermann.

Mayor Bowen opened the special meeting at 6:30 p.m. and read the special meeting notice.

DISCUSSION AND OR ACTION ON AWARDING A CONSTRUCTION CONTRACT FOR THE TEXAS DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE, TEXAS COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANT (TxCDBG) PROGRAM, CONTRACT #7216310

TRC Engineer Jared Niermann explained the grant project to Council and showed a map of the project area and then explained the bids that were received. Mr. Niermann told Council that the base bid is slightly under budget and therefore the alternative bid will not be done since the grant funds will not be available. He said the grant will cover the cost of the Railroad crossing permits.

Grant Administrator Rudy Ruiz told Council that when they award the bid it will have to be contingent upon TDA's approval and the said contractor.

The bids received were as follows:

Armadillo Underground Utilities, LLC	-	\$ 234,511.65
Alternate bid	-	\$ 83,000.00
Guerra Undergound, LLC	-	\$ 299,675.25
Alternate bid	-	\$ 96,900.00
Hoover Construction	-	\$ 330,239.44
Alternate bid	-	\$ 61,243.50
E-Z Bel Construction	-	\$ 354,546.00
Alternate bid	-	\$ 168,400.00

Mr. Niermann told Council that they had reviewed the bids and recommend that Armadillo Underground Utilities, LLC be awarded the project for the bid of \$234,511.65 with no additive alternate at this time.

Alderman Gonzalez made the motion that Council accept the recommendation from TRC and the grant project be awarded to Armadillo Underground Utilities, LLC contingent upon the written approval from TDA (Texas Department of Agriculture). Seconded by Alderman Cortez. Passed unanimously.

Meeting adjourned at 6:41 p.m.