



NORTHERN INDIANA COMMUTER TRANSPORTATION DISTRICT

BOARD MEETING

May 4, 2021

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Held Online Due to COVID-19 Pandemic

Public Session – 10:30 a.m. (CST)

BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT:

Joe McGuinness
Jeff Good

Andrew Kostielney
Jim Arnold

Jerome Prince

STAFF PARTICIPANTS:

Michael Noland
Chuck Lukmann, Esq.

Tony Siegmund
Steve Plesha

Justice Anderson

CALL TO ORDER

Chuck Lukmann, NICTD's General Counsel, called the meeting to order. Mr. Lukmann requested a roll call. Joe McGuinness, Andrew Kostielney, Jeff Good, and Jerome Prince were present. Jim Arnold was absent.

PURCHASING (Procurement Recommendation Packet Attached)

Tony Siegmund, NICTD's Purchasing Manager, presented two bid recommendations to the Board. The purchasing items are listed in the recommendations that follow and the Board's vote was requested at the end of the recommendation.

The first item was a bid for Double Track Project 2 to build the Michigan City Garage, Station House and commercial space. This project involves building demolition, historic stationhouse façade removal, restoration and replacement, precast garage structure, 11th Street station and commercial space, MEP systems, communications, drainage, pavement & striping. The Staff recommended that Larson-Danielson Construction Co., Inc. of LaPorte, Indiana be awarded the Contract for Double Track Project 2 in the amount of Sixteen Million, Seven Hundred Fourteen Thousand, Three Hundred Four Dollars and 00/100 (\$16,714,304.00). The Staff requested that the Board grant the President the authority to issue the Notice to Proceed for Double Track Project 2 at his discretion, subject to RDA and IFA approval.

The second item was a bid for Double Track Project 3 to build Miller Station and East Parking Lot in Gary, Indiana. This project involves demolition, construction, MEP Systems, communications, drainage, pavement & striping, an infiltration system, lighting and landscaping. The Staff recommended that Hasse Construction Company, Inc. of Calumet City, Illinois be awarded the Contract for Double Track Project 3 in the amount of Four Million, Sixty-Nine Thousand Dollars and 00/100 (\$4,069,000.00). The Staff requested that the Board grant the

President the authority to issue the Notice to Proceed for Double Track Project 3 at his discretion, subject to RDA and IFA approval.

RESOLUTION 21-08 AWARDING A CONTRACT FOR THE DOUBLE TRACK NORTHWEST INDIANA RAIL PROJECT

Mr. Lukmann introduced Resolution 21-08 Awarding a Contract for the Double Track NWI Project. NICTD's staff found that Larson-Danielson Construction Co., Inc. submitted a responsive bid, tis a responsible bidder, and that it is the lowest responsive and responsible bidder. The Staff recommended that Larson-Danielson Construction Co., Inc. of LaPorte, Indiana be awarded the Contract for Double Track Project 2 in the amount of Sixteen Million, Seven Hundred Fourteen Thousand, Three Hundred Four Dollars and 00/100 (\$16,714,304.00). NICTD's Staff requested that the Board grant the President the authority to issue the Notice to Proceed for Double Track Project 2 at his discretion, subject to RDA and IFA approval.

Mr. McGuiness made a motion to approve Resolution 21-08 Awarding a Contract for the Double Track NWI Project, Mr. Kostielney seconded, and on roll call vote, the motion passed unanimously.

RESOLUTION 21-09 AWARDING A CONTRACT FOR THE DOUBLE TRACK NORTHWEST INDIANA RAIL PROJECT

Mr. Lukmann introduced Resolution 21-09 Awarding a Contract for the Double Track NWI Project. NICTD's found that Hasse Construction Co., Inc. submitted a responsive bid, is a responsible bidder, and that it is the lowest responsive and responsible bidder. The Staff recommended that Hasse Construction Company, Inc. of Calumet City, Illinois be awarded the Contract for Double Track Project 3 in the amount of Four Million, Sixty-Nine Thousand Dollars and 00/100 (\$4,069,000.00). The Staff requested that the Board grant the President the authority to issue the Notice to Proceed for Double Track Project 3 at his discretion, subject to RDA and IFA approval.

Mr. Prince made a motion to approve Resolution 21-09 Awarding a Contract for the Double Track NWI Project., Mr. Kostielney seconded, and on roll call vote, the motion passed unanimously.

PRESIDENT'S REPORT

Mr. Noland gave a brief report with a few updates. The next board meeting scheduled for May 24 and NICTD is looking into opening this meeting to the public with limited capacity as well as having a virtual link.

NICTD will continue mandating the use of masks or face coverings for all NICTD passengers and employees. As announced on March 23, 2021, Indiana Gov. Eric Holcomb will downgrade the state's mask requirement to a mask advisory, effective April 6, 2021. However, the governor encouraged citizens to continue to wear masks in public places and will continue to mandate masks within state properties. NICTD employees will continue to strictly enforce the mandate.

NICTD signed the lease for METRA HL1 railcars. With this lease, NICTD added twenty-six (26) commuter rail cars similar to the fourteen (14) double deckers that NICTD currently has.

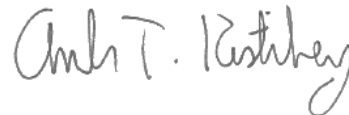
On May 1st, NICTD shut down the 11th Street Station. The 11th Street Station closure is in effect to help facilitate pre-construction third-party utility work and the Double Track NWI construction project. NICTD will no longer have trains picking up passengers in the street.

Following the Board Meeting, NICTD's Procurement team will meet to discuss Double Track Project 1, the main contract to build Double Track NWI.

ADJOURNMENT

Mr. McGuinness made a motion to adjourn the meeting, seconded by Mr. Prince, and on roll call vote, the motion passed unanimously. The next Board Meeting is scheduled for May 24, 2021.

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Andrew T. Kostielney". The signature is written in a cursive style with a large, looped 'A' and 'K'.

Andrew Kostielney, Secretary



PROCUREMENT RECOMMENDATIONS

Double Track Project

- **Project 2 – Michigan City Stationhouse, Parking Garage and Commercial Space**
- **Project 3 – Miller (Gary) Station & East Parking Lot**

RECOMMENDATION
Double Track - Project 2
Michigan City Garage & Stationhouse
May 04, 2021

A. SCOPE

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B. ADMINISTRATIVE REVIEW

1. Legal Notifications

The request for bids was advertised throughout the region and nationally. The legal advertisements were placed in the following publications:

News Dispatch - Michigan City, Indiana
The Times - Hammond, Indiana
Gary Crusader - Gary, Indiana
South Bend Tribune - South Bend, Indiana
NICTD Plan Room

2. Bid Review

A total of forty-five (45) packets were requested for Project prior to the bid opening. The request resulted in the receipt of four (4) bids.

3. DBE & Required Forms

The bids were evaluated for responsiveness to determine if they could be accepted for further review.

It was determined that three firms submitted all the necessary forms and were approved by the appropriate NICTD staff. All forms have been correctly submitted and were found to be within the guidelines set forth by the Federal Transit Administration (FTA). The fourth firm did not complete all necessary forms and was deemed unresponsive.

Bidder	Qual Stmt	Bid Bond	Vet Empl.	Buy America	Proc. Integrity	Rest. Lobby	Debar Ment	DBE %	Non-Disc.	Drug Free	E-Verify	Iran Invst.	Form 96
Larson-Danielson Construction Co., Inc. LaPorte, Indiana	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	19.3%	X	X	X	X	X
Walsh Construction Company II, LLC Crown Point, Indiana	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	17.0%	X	X	X	X	X
Ziolkowski Construction, Inc. South Bend, Indiana	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	3.4%	X	X	X	X	X
Berglund Construction Company Chesterton, Indiana	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	-	X	X	X	X	X

C. ENGINEERING REVIEW & PRICE ANALYSIS

The Bids were evaluated for responsiveness to the technical specifications. Three bidders were responsive and met the technical specifications.

The lowest and most responsive bid for Double Track Project 2 is \$16,714,304.00. This is 2.4% (\$401,968.00) less than the engineer's estimate of \$17,116,272.00.

Larson-Danielson Construction Co., Inc.'s DBE amount is 19.25% (\$3,217,750.00).

	Larson-Danielson Construction Co.	Walsh Construction Company II, LLC	Ziolkowski Construction, Inc.
Base Price	\$16,714,304.00	\$17,547,000.00	\$18,874,000.00
Alternate 1	\$70,815.00	\$75,000.00	\$98,700.00
Alternate 2	\$31,848.00	\$33,000.00	\$25,600.00
Alternate Total	\$102,663.00	\$108,000.00	\$124,300.00
Grand Total	\$16,816,967.00	\$17,655,000.00	\$18,998,300.00

D. COMPLETION

Larson-Danielson Construction Co., Inc. can meet the District's completion schedule for June 2023.

E. RECOMMENDATION

The Staff recommends that Larson-Danielson Construction Co., Inc. of LaPorte, Indiana be awarded the Contract for Double Track Project 2 in the amount of Sixteen Million, Seven Hundred Fourteen Thousand, Three Hundred Four Dollars and ⁰⁰/₁₀₀ (\$16,714,304.00).

The Staff is requesting that the Board grant the President the authority to issue the Notice to Proceed for Double Track Project 2 at his discretion, subject to RDA and IFA approval.

RECOMMENDATION
Double Track - Project 3
Miller Station and Parking Lot
May 04, 2021

A. SCOPE

The District has requested bids for Double Track Project 3 to build Miller Station and East Parking Lot in Gary, Indiana. This project involves demolition, construction, MEP Systems, communications, drainage, pavement & striping, an infiltration system, lighting and landscaping. Bids were solicited and a public bid opening was held virtually on April 14, 2021.

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A total of forty-seven (47) packets were requested for Project prior to the bid opening. The request resulted in the receipt of five (5) bids.

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Hasse Construction Company, Inc. Calumet City, Illinois	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	18.5%	X	X	X	X	X
Powers & Sons Construction Company, Inc. Gary, Indiana	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	17.3%	X	X	X	X	X
Larson-Danielson Construction Company, Inc. LaPorte, Indiana	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	24.0%	X	X	X	X	X
Gariup Construction Co., Inc. Gary, Indiana	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	-	X	X	X	X	X
Berglund Construction Company Chesterton, Indiana	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	-	X	X	X	X	X

C. ENGINEERING REVIEW & PRICE ANALYSIS

The Bids were evaluated for responsiveness to the technical specifications. Three bidders were responsive and met the technical specifications.

The lowest and most responsive bid for Double Track Project 3 is \$4,069,000.00. This is 29.5% (\$1,703,359.00) less than the engineer's estimate of \$5,772,359.00.

Hasse Construction Company, Inc.'s DBE amount is 18.5% (\$752,579.00).

Company	Total Bid Amount
Hasse Construction Company, Inc.	\$4,069,000.00
Powers & Sons Construction Company, Inc.	\$4,530,000.00
Larson-Danielson Construction Company, Inc.	\$4,594,551.00

D. COMPLETION

Hasse Construction Company, Inc. can meet the District's completion schedule for May 2023.

E. RECOMMENDATION

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