



JOHN H. ALLGAIR, PE, PP, LS (1983-2001)
DAVID J. SAMUEL, PE, PP, CME
JOHN J. STEFANI, PE, LS, PP, CME
JAY B. CORNELL, PE, PP, CME
MICHAEL J. McCLELLAND, PE, PP, CME
GREGORY R. VALES, PE, PP, CME

TIM W. GILLEN, PE, PP, CME (1991-2019)
BRUCE M. KOCH, PE, PP, CME
LOUIS J. PLOSKONKA, PE, CME
TREVOR J. TAYLOR, PE, PP, CME
BEHRAM TURAN, PE, LSRP
LAURA J. NEUMANN, PE, PP
DOUGLAS ROHMEYER, PE, CFM, CME
ROBERT J. RUSSO, PE, PP, CME
JOHN J. HESS, PE, PP, CME

May 4, 2020

Mayor and City Council
Municipal Building
630 Avenue C
Bayonne, NJ 07002

**RE: Various Streets – 2020 – Bayonne
New Jersey Department of Transportation
FY 2020 Municipal Aid and Urban Aid Program
Bayonne, New Jersey
Our File: PBY00610.01**

Dear Mayor and City Council:

On Wednesday, May 4, 2020 bids were received in the City Hall for the above referenced project. As indicated on the attached bid tabulation sheet, three (3) bids were received.

The apparent low bid was submitted by D.L.S. Contracting, Inc. of Fairfield, New Jersey with a total bid amount of \$1,414,756.00. Our office has checked the references for D.L.S. Contracting, Inc., and they received favorable responses.

As you are aware, we have included three (3) alternates in the contract if the bids exceeded the available funding. Subject to the concurrence of the City Corporation Counsel and the availability of sufficient funds, the City has the following award options:

1. To award the entire project, utilizing Alternate A through Alternate C, to D.L.S. Contracting, Inc. in the amount of \$1,414,756.00;
2. To utilize Alternate A and Alternate B as indicated on the bid tabulation sheet and award the project to D.L.S. Contracting, Inc. in the amount of \$1,279,756.00;
3. To utilize Alternate A as indicated on the bid tabulation sheet and award the project to D.L.S. Contracting, Inc. in the amount of \$1,223,756.00.

We have reviewed the bids submitted and did not find any irregularities from D.L.S. Contracting, Inc. We recommend the City authorize the Corporation Counsel to review the bids and various irregularities of all the bidders.

As you are aware, the New Jersey Department of Transportation awarded the City a Trust Fund Grant in the amount of \$852,709.00 for the above referenced project. Therefore we recommend



Mayor and City Council
May 4, 2020
Page 2

the Resolution include a condition that the award is subject to the approval of the New Jersey Department of Transportation.

By copy of this letter, we are hand delivering the three (3) original bids to the City Clerk's office to be kept on file.

Should you have any questions regarding this matter, please do not hesitate to contact this office.

Very truly yours,

CME ASSOCIATES

Robert J. Russo, PE, PP, CME
City Engineer's Office

RJR/JC
Enclosure

cc: All Council Members
City Business Administrator
City D.P.W. Director
Chief Financial Officer
City Clerk (w/ enclosures)
City Corporation Counsel (w/enclosures)
Purchasing Agent
Nabil Ayoub, NJDOT

PBY00616.01