



December 15, 2023

Detroit Building Authority
1301 Third Street, Suite 328
Detroit, MI 48226

Attn: Tyrone Clifton, Director

Re: A.B. Ford Park SNF Renovation
Contractor Bid Recommendation

Project Number: 20370.01D

Mr. Clifton,

Upon review of the bid results opened on November 8, 2023, we have confirmed WCI Contractors Inc. submitted the lowest qualified bid in the amount of \$8,177,186.00. This bid amount covered all work items shown on the bid form submittal and bid plans. All necessary documentation and clearances required in the bid documents have been provided by this Contractor.

On Monday, December 11, 2023, we attended a post-bid conference with the DBA, GSD and the team from WCI Contractors. During that conference, we discussed the project in detail and discussed WCI's recent experience with similar project types and work in the city. As indicated in their submitted reference package, WCI Contractors has extensive and recent experience working with GSD on other large scale park projects throughout the City of Detroit, including Roosevelt Park, Palmer Park and Balduck Park. In all of those projects, WCI has worked directly with the same team of landscape architects at GSD that will be managing this project on behalf of the DBA. The entire GSD team speaks highly of that recent work by WCI.

To meet budget requirements consistent with available funding, GSD has revised the proposed project to remove a total of 66 new trees (bid item 33 – Flowering Tree, 2" Cal) for a total reduction in cost of \$77,220.00. This lowers the recommended awarded bid amount to \$7,999,966.00. WCI remains the lowest qualified bidder once this reduction is made.

As the lowest qualified bidder, we hereby recommend that WCI Contractors, Inc. be awarded the contract for the A.B. Ford Park SNF Renovations project in the amount of \$7,999,966.00. GSD has also recommended a project construction contingency of \$750,034.00 to be managed by the DBA and GSD for project modifications that may arise during the construction process. Execution of a formal agreement with the contractor shall be contingent upon DBA Board approval and the City receiving all final insurance, bonding, and other contractual requirements as outlined in the bid documents.

Should you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact me at (248) 821-9746.

Sincerely,

Giffels Webster

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "Mike Kozak".

Mike Kozak, P.E.
President | Partner

cc: File