

March 16, 2017

Ralph Gallegos
Executive Director of Energy Management and Construction
Gadsden Independent School District
P.O. Drawer 70
Anthony, NM 88021

Re: GISD, Desert Pride Academy Student Parking Lot
Bid Award Recommendation
BHI Project No. 20170353
GISD Bid No. 16-17-09

Dear Mr. Gallegos:

Bids were received for the above-referenced project on Wednesday, March 15, 2017. The project consists of construction of a new paved parking lot including subgrade prep., base course, hot mix paving, curb & gutter, drainage structures and pavement markings and signage.

The project was bid on a unit price and lump sum basis. Six bids were received before the scheduled bid opening. The bid documents were to include Resident Contractor Certification and Resident Veteran Contractor Certification. Those contractors that qualify for a discounted preference, by provided the pertinent certification documentation, are indicated in the bid tabulation form attached to this letter. The project award amount would be the total base bid of the project. A tabulation of the bids and the engineer's estimate of probable cost are attached. A summary of the two bids is shown below:

Bidder	Base Bid
Smith & Aguirre Construction Co. INC. Las Cruces, New Mexico	\$154,145.98
ESA Construction Inc. Albuquerque, New Mexico	\$184,020.47
Del Mar Contracting, Inc. El Paso, TX	\$235,051.90
Engineer Estimate	\$221,490.00

These figures DO NOT include New Mexico Gross Receipts Tax at a rate of 6.750%

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The apparent low bidder is:

Smith & Aguirre Construction Co. Inc.
P.O. Box 2276
Las Cruces, NM 88004
575.527.2500

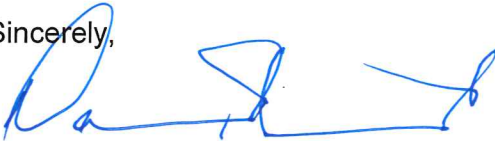
NM Contractor License No. 21569
Expires 6/30/2017

The apparent low bidder's licenses have been verified with Contractors Licensing Services, Inc., are valid for the type of work to be accomplished, and are in active status. We have worked with Smith & Aguirre Construction Co. Inc. on previous GISD projects with satisfactory results.

The contract documents require that bidders hold the bid prices for a period of forty-five (45) days after the bid opening to allow the Owner to evaluate the bid proposals. It is our understanding that GISD currently has funding for the total base bid of the project. On the basis of the above, I recommend that GISD award the project to Smith & Aguirre Construction Co. Inc. in the amount of \$154,145.98.

The Gadsden Independent School District is required to take action (in the form of a vote) to accept or revise this recommendation in accordance with the GISD's objectives for award of the construction contract. It is my understanding that consideration of the award will take place at the March 24, 2017 GISD Board of Education meeting. Please do not hesitate to contact me if you have any questions or need further assistance with this prior to that time.

Sincerely,



David Shields, CET
Project Manager

DMS/dg
Enclosure(s)

cc: Smith & Aguirre Construction Co. Inc.