

March 9, 2026

City of San Marcos
 630 E Hopkins
 San Marcos, TX 78666

Attn: Marcus Naiser, P.E.
 Assistant Director of CIP

Re: City of San Marcos Highway 80 Utility Project
 IFB #2025-121
 Recommendation of Award of Contract

Mr. Naiser:

The City of San Marcos (City) received bids for the Highway 80 Utility Project on February 12, 2026. The City received a total of six (6) bids for the Lift Station Package (A), nine (9) bids for the Pipeline Package (B), and five (5) bids for the Combined Lift Station and Pipeline Package (C). Below is a summary of bids received.

Bidder – Lift Station Package (A)	Total Base Bid Price	Total Base Bid Plus Alternate Price
Patin Construction LLC	\$8,621,157.22	\$8,771,157.22
MA Smith Contracting Company Inc	\$11,642,571.44	\$11,842,571.44
Cedar Hills Construction	\$13,239,610.00	\$13,464,610.00
Liberty Civil Construction	\$7,735,527.11	\$8,068,527.11
Keystone Construction Services LP	\$13,680,469.00	\$13,730,469.00
Austin Underground, Inc	\$11,179,703.33	\$11,339,703.33
FNI's OPCC	\$8,894,000.00	

Bidder – Pipeline Package (B)	Total Base Bid Price
Patin Construction LLC	\$6,977,839.00
MA Smith Contracting Company Inc	\$6,901,716.00
Santa Clara Construction LTD	\$9,727,005.00
Ella SA Contracting LP	\$7,701,913.78
Qro Mex Construction Company Inc	\$7,103,692.75
Cedar Hills Construction	\$7,988,174.00
M5 Utilities LLC	\$7,656,861.70
Liberty Civil Construction	\$5,535,038.00
Austin Underground, Inc	\$7,434,278.50
FNI's OPCC	\$13,353,000.00



Bidder – Combined Lift Station and Pipeline Package (C)	Total Base Bid Price	Total Base Bid Plus Alternate Price
Patin Construction LLC	\$15,404,526.00	\$15,554,526.00
MA Smith Contracting Company Inc	\$17,428,237.00	\$17,628,237.00
Cedar Hills Construction	\$21,113,523.00	\$21,338,523.00
Liberty Civil Construction	\$13,217,404.24	\$13,550,404.24
Austin Underground, Inc	\$18,590,097.50	\$18,750,097.50
FNI's OPCC	\$22,247,000.00	

Liberty Civil Construction (Liberty) was the apparent low bidder for all three bid packages. FNI evaluated Liberty its Project Team's relevant experience and contacted references provided. The references contacted indicated that Liberty performed work in accordance with the plans and specifications, demonstrated qualification to complete the work outlined in the project descriptions, and delivered projects that resulted in owner satisfaction. The references stated they would work with Liberty again on future projects and would recommend them to others.

Based on Liberty's Statement of Qualifications and the positive feedback received, FNI recommends the City award the construction contract for the Combined Lift Station and Pipeline Package (C) to Liberty Civil Construction. FNI further recommends awarding the bid alternate for Package C, for the combined total contract amount of \$13,550,404.24.

If you have any questions or concerns, please let us know.

Sincerely,

Collin Brewer, P.E.
Project Manager