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VIA EMAIL: [asosa@sanmarcostx.gov](mailto:asosa@sanmarcostx.gov)

Re: Bid Evaluation  
Primrose Way Water Line Improvements  
(IFB 218-337)

Dear Mr. Sosa:

Alan Plummer Associates, Inc. (APAI) has completed a bid evaluation for the Primrose Way Water Line Improvements Project. The Bid Tabulation is provided as Attachment A.

## Project Scope:

The scope of work for this project includes construction of approximately 1,800 LF of 8-inch water line along Primrose Way starting at Horace Howard Dr. and tied to an existing 8-inch water line located at the Southwest corner of the Master's School parcel.

## Bid Evaluation:

The City of San Marcos received a total of thirteen (13) bids on August 9, 2018. Below is a summary of the bids presented to the City.

Bidder	Total Bid	Difference Compared to Low Bid	
1. Rockin Q Construction, LLC	\$ 237,097.00	--	--
2. Austin Underground, Inc.	\$ 256,982.50	\$ 19,885.50	8.4%
3. M&C Fonseca Construction, Inc.	\$ 265,026.65	\$ 27,929.65	11.8%
4. Lonestar Sitework	\$ 277,129.09	\$ 40,032.09	16.9%
5. Prota Construction Inc.	\$ 287,000.00	\$ 49,903.00	21.0%
6. Chad Koch Enterprises, Inc.	\$ 293,189.00	\$ 56,092.00	23.7%
7. Whitestone Civil Construction, LLC	\$ 304,206.00	\$ 67,109.00	28.3%

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8. Underground Water Solutions, Co	\$ 308,727.55	\$ 71,630.55	30.2%
9. Qro Mex Construction Co., Inc.	\$ 313,095.40	\$ 75,998.40	32.1%
10. QA Construction Services, Inc.	\$ 315,748.92	\$ 78,651.92	33.2%
11. MA Smith Contracting, Inc.	\$ 331,940.50	\$ 94,843.50	40.0%
12. Wauters Engineering, LLC	\$ 333,622.98	\$ 96,525.98	40.7%
13. Central Road & Utility, Ltd.	\$ 353,605.02	\$ 116,508.02	49.1%

The summary table shows the lowest bidder to be Rockin Q Construction, LLC with a total bid amount of \$237,097. Along with Rockin Q Construction, the next two low bidders were Austin Underground, Inc. with a bid totaling \$256,982.50 and M&C Fonseca Construction, Inc with a total bid of \$265,026.65. All thirteen bids that were received were below the projected cost of \$365,000 for the construction of this Project. Only one contractor's bid, Wauters Engineering, LLC, differs from the original bid received. This is due to errors being corrected while compiling the Bid Tabulation.

Rockin Q provided a list of references for past and current projects, which APAI contacted. While most references stated that Rockin Q was a great contractor, the reference for Rockin Q's most recent project listed stated that Rockin Q submitted a lot of change orders and that they had experienced issues while dealing with Rockin Q as a contractor. The reference strongly advised against having Rockin Q as a contractor for future projects as the client was not satisfied with Rockin Q's performance. Another reference also mentioned that being a small company, Rockin Q is not able to mobilize quickly to the project site when they have other ongoing projects.

APAI also evaluated the second lowest bidder, Austin Underground. Austin Underground provided an extensive list of references for past and current projects and received rave reviews from the references that were contacted. The references recommended Austin Underground and expressed that they would be using Austin Underground for their future projects. Austin Underground has worked on similarly scoped projects with budgets similar to, or exceeding the Primrose Project. References confirmed that Austin Underground representatives were professional, had proven ability to complete the project scope, and they had great communication with homeowners and their respective clients, including the City. They successfully completed projects on-time and within budget while meeting and/or exceeding all safety procedures, environmental concerns, and quality control requirements.

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Contractor Recommendation:

After evaluating the two lowest bidders and investigating past performance on previous projects with their respective references, APAI recommends Austin Underground for the award of this Project for the bid amount of **\$256,982.50**.

Please contact me with any questions or concerns regarding this recommendation at (361) 356-8416 or [mjimenez@apaienv.com](mailto:mjimenez@apaienv.com).

Sincerely,

ALAN PLUMMER ASSOCIATES, INC.



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Attachment: Bid Tabulation