



City of Tacoma

Resolution No.:

Meeting Date: February 27, 2024

**Contract and Award Letter
Purchase Resolution —Exhibit "A"**

TO: Board of Contracts and Awards

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GMS MPS

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City Council, City Manager, City Clerk, EIC Coordinator, LEAP Coordinator, and
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SUBJECT: Stormwater Sewer Replacement North 38th Street and North Tyler Street
Request for Bids Specification No. ES23-0001F, Contract No. CW2263671 –
February 27, 2024 City Council

DATE: January 23, 2024

RECOMMENDATION SUMMARY:

The Environmental Services (ES) Department recommends a contract be awarded to Northwest Cascade, Inc., Puyallup, WA, in the amount of \$442,442.00, plus a 15 percent contingency, plus applicable sales tax, for a projected contract amount of \$508,808.30, budgeted from the ES Stormwater Fund 4301, for construction of stormwater improvements at North 38th & North Tyler Streets.

STRATEGIC POLICY PRIORITY:

- Strengthen and support a safe city with healthy residents.
- Assure outstanding stewardship of the natural and built environment.

This project will replace and re-route aging stormwater pipes, provide street restoration, and associated landscaping. This work supports a safe city with healthy residents and assures outstanding stewardship of the natural and built environment of this neighborhood by reducing the risk of localized flooding and potential erosion of the nearby gulch.

BACKGROUND:

This project will include the replacement and re-routing of approximately 600 linear feet of 12-inch through 15-inch diameter storm pipes, street paving, and landscape restoration.

ISSUE: The underground stormwater pipes in this location are reaching the end of their service life and need replacement.

ALTERNATIVES: One alternative is taking no action and accepting the risk of continued pipe failures which can result in stormwater flooding. This could lead to erosion of the nearby gulch causing a significant environmental impact to the area. Replacing and re-routing the storm system will eliminate the risk of flooding and erosion.



COMPETITIVE SOLICITATION:

Request for Bids Specification No. ES23-0001F was opened December 12, 2023. Four hundred and sixty-seven companies were invited to bid in addition to normal advertising of the project. Nine submittals were received. Northwest Cascade, Inc. submitted a bid that resulted in the lowest evaluated submittal after consideration of Equity in Contracting (EIC) participation goals. The table below reflects the amount of the base award.

<u>Respondent</u>	<u>Location</u>	<u>Submittal Amount</u>
Northwest Cascade, Inc.	Puyallup, WA	\$ 442,442.00
R.L. Alia Company	Renton, WA	\$ 457,829.50
Tucci & Sons, Inc.	Tacoma, WA	\$ 471,349.75
Blackfish Civil Infrastructure, Inc	Burien, WA	\$ 550,008.55
Laser Underground & Earthworks Inc.	Snohomish, WA	\$ 625,338.00
Road Construction Northwest, Inc.	Renton, WA	\$ 665,784.00
All Terrain Excavating, LLC (non-responsive*)	Tacoma, WA	\$ 319,462.86
NewX Inc.(non-responsive*)	Monroe, WA	\$ 356,959.50
Sascon, LLC (non-responsive*)	Maple Valley, WA	\$ 440,154.00

**After evaluating the bids submitted by All Terrain Excavating, LLC, NewX Inc., and Sascon, LLC, the EIC Office deemed these bidders non-responsive due to failure to meet the EIC requirements listed below. All bidders are required to meet the minimum EIC participation per the Program criteria as detailed in Chapter 1.07 of the Tacoma Municipal Code.*

Pre-bid Estimate: \$461,869.00 (not including sales tax)
The recommended award is approximately four percent below the pre-bid estimate.

CONTRACT HISTORY: New contract.

SUSTAINABILITY: Replacement of these pipes will reduce the risk of failure, thereby reducing the potential for stormwater flooding, resulting in a positive environmental impact.

EQUITY IN CONTRACTING (EIC) COMPLIANCE: The recommended contractor is in compliance with the EIC requirements per memorandum dated December 26, 2023. The EIC requirements for this project are three percent for Minority Business Enterprise (MBE), two percent for Women’s Business Enterprise (WBE), and 14 percent for Small Business Enterprise (SBE). The EIC utilization levels of the recommended contractor, Northwest Cascade, Inc., are 3.02 percent for MBE, 3.44 percent for WBE, and 14.1 percent for SBE.

LOCAL EMPLOYMENT AND APPRENTICESHIP TRAINING PROGRAM (LEAP) COMPLIANCE: The LEAP requirement for this project is 15 percent of the project labor hours must be worked by Local Employees, per TMC 1.90.040.



FISCAL IMPACT:

EXPENDITURES:

FUND NUMBER & FUND NAME	COST OBJECT (CC/WBS/ORDER)	COST ELEMENT	TOTAL AMOUNT
ES Stormwater Fund 4301	ENV-03032-10-04	5330100	\$508,808.30
TOTAL			Up to \$508,808.30

REVENUES:

FUNDING SOURCE	COST OBJECT (CC/WBS/ORDER)	COST ELEMENT	TOTAL AMOUNT
ES Stormwater Fund 4301	529700	6310010	(\$508,808.30)
TOTAL			Up to (\$508,808.30)

FISCAL IMPACT TO CURRENT BIENNIAL BUDGET: \$508,808.30, plus applicable taxes.

ARE THE EXPENDITURES AND REVENUES PLANNED AND BUDGETED? Yes

IF EXPENSE IS NOT BUDGETED, PLEASE EXPLAIN HOW THEY ARE TO BE COVERED. N/A