

AGENDA



REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS OF ST. LOUIS COUNTY, MINNESOTA

Tuesday, March 5, 2024, 10:00 A.M

**St. Louis County Courthouse
County Board Room, Second Floor
100 N. 5th Avenue West
Duluth, Minnesota**

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10:00 A.M. Moment of Silence
 Pledge of Allegiance
 Roll Call

CITIZEN RECOGNITION:

PRESENTATION: *Procurement Month – March 2024*

CONSENT AGENDA:

Approval of business submitted on the consent agenda.

REGULAR AGENDA:

Environment & Natural Resources Committee – Commissioner Jugovich, Chair

1. Award of Bid: Regional Landfill Construction – Phase 7, 8 and 9. {24-99} [Has not been to committee; requires consent of the Board for consideration.]

COMMISSIONER REPORTS:

ADJOURNED:



St. Louis County Board of Commissioners Request for Board Action 24 – 99

Committee: **Environment & Natural Resources**
From: David Fink, Director
Reviewed by: Kevin Z. Gray, County Administrator

Date: March 5, 2024
Attachments: ☐yes ☒no
Consent: ☐yes ☒no

ITEM: **Award of Bid: Regional Landfill Construction: Phase 7, 8, and 9**

Background/Overview:

The St. Louis County Environmental Services Department provides a comprehensive system for solid waste management for residents and businesses within its Solid Waste Management Area (SWMA) through a network of solid waste transfer facilities and the Regional Landfill (Landfill). The Landfill is located east of the City of Virginia and is the primary disposal facility for mixed municipal solid waste (MSW) generated in the SWMA.

The St. Louis County Environmental Services Department, in tandem with the Purchasing Division, prepared a Request for Bids (RFB #6003) to expand the Landfill by constructing three (3) three and one third (3.3) acre cells (Phase 7, 8, and 9) during the spring and summer of 2024. The request for bids included a bid alternate for the inclusion of installing geothermal elements at the time of construction. Bids were issued on February 2, 2024, and let on February 26, 2024, at 1:00 p.m. The County received 3 bids with the low bid being from Ulland Brothers, Inc. of Cloquet, MN, in the amount of \$2,916,050. This includes the bid alternate as the department deemed its inclusion as fiscally responsible. This is 18.6% under the engineer's estimate of \$3,584,000.

BIDS:

- **Ulland Brothers, Inc. - Cloquet, MN** **\$2,654,550.00**
 - **Bid Alternate – Geothermal** **\$261,500.00**
- **KGM Contractors - Angora, MN** **\$2,887,250.00**
 - **Bid Alternate – Geothermal** **\$200,000.00**
- **Veit - Rogers, MN** **\$3,322,000.00**
 - **Bid Alternate – Geothermal** **\$230,000.00**

Policy Objectives:

Minn. Stat. § 115A, Minnesota Rule 7035.2610 and the MPCA Solid Waste Facility Permit (SW-405) require any new design feature at an existing facility may not be opened or placed into operation until a construction certification has been approved by the MPCA.

Solicited by the St. Louis County Purchasing Division under Minnesota State Statute 471.345 Uniform Municipal Contracting Law.

Fiscal/Budget Impacts/Funding Source/FTE Considerations:

The total estimated bid of \$2,916,050 which includes the lump sum bid of \$2,654,550 and the bid alternate of \$261,500 will be allocated from Department Enterprise funds. This does not create an undue burden on Environmental Services budgets.

Recommendation:

It is recommended that the St. Louis County Board authorize the Environmental Services Department to enter into a contract with Ulland Brothers, Inc. for the construction of Phases 7, 8, and 9 at the Regional Landfill at its total bid price of \$2,916,050.00 payable from Fund 600, Agency 607001, Object 625500 (MSW).

Regional Landfill Phase 7, 8, and 9 Construction

BY COMMISSIONER _____

WHEREAS, St. Louis County operates a Regional Landfill in Virginia, Minnesota, which serves as the primary disposal facility for mixed municipal solid waste generated in the county's Solid Waste Management Area; and

WHEREAS, The St. Louis County Regional Landfill will require additional operational capacity by the fall of 2024; and

WHEREAS, The construction of this project was competitively bid and the lowest responsible total bid of \$2,916,050.00 was received from Ulland Brothers, Inc. of Cloquet, Minnesota.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, That the St. Louis County Board authorizes the appropriate County officials to enter into a contract with Ulland Brothers, Inc. at its total bid price of \$2,916,050.00 for the construction of Phases 7,8, and 9 at the Regional Landfill payable from Fund 600, Agency 607001, Object 625500 (MSW).