

TO: Mayor and City Council

FROM: Amee King, Assistant City Manager

RE: Grand Renovations for Downtown Grand Ledge Contract #1 - J. Rank Electric, Inc.

Date: October 4, 2023

City Council awarded a contract to J. Rank Electric Inc. on July 10, 2023, with Resolution #42 of 2023. J. Rank Electric Inc. had 90 days to execute the contract and failed to do so. Staff recommends the City Council rescind the resolution. Staff members are currently working with a different supplier and contractor to find a solution and will bring a recommendation to City Council in the near term.

Attachments: Letter from Giffels Webster



October 4, 2023

BID RECOMMENDATION

Amee King, Assistant City Manager
City of Grand Ledge
310 Greenwood Street
Grand Ledge, MI 48837

**RE: Grand Renovations for Downtown Grand Ledge
Streetlight Improvements – Contract No. 2023-01**

Dear Ms. King:

At the meeting held on July 10, 2023, City Council awarded a contract to J. Ranck Electric, Inc. to replace the luminaires, clean and coat 88 streetlight poles in the downtown. A Notice of Award was issued on July 13, 2023, requesting that the contractor provide the required bonds, insurance, and executed copies of the contract no later than July 28, 2023.

J. Ranck Electric has informed the City of their reluctance to finalize the contract and have exceeded the allotted time identified in the bid documents to execute the documents. In accordance with Section 7.2 of the Instructions to Bidders, it is our recommendation that the City rescind the award of the contract and direct solicit new bidders to perform the work.

Please contact me if you have any questions.

Respectfully,

Giffels Webster

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Justin R. Wellman" followed by a horizontal line.

Justin R. Wellman, P.E.

Grand Ledge City Council Resolution # _____ of 2023

A Resolution to Repeal Resolution #42 of 2023, a Resolution to Approve a Bid From J. Ranck Electric, Inc., for Grand Renovations for Downtown Grand Ledge Contract #1.

A resolution adopted by the Grand Ledge City Council, at a regular meeting held on Monday, 09 October 2023, in the Council Chambers, City Hall, 310 Greenwood St., Grand Ledge MI 48837, in compliance with the Open Meetings Act, as amended.

Whereas, the City of Grand Ledge, Michigan (“City”) is a municipal corporation organized under the provisions of the Home Rule City Act, Public Act 279 of 1909, as amended, and is governed by the provisions of the Grand Ledge City Charter adopted 07 August 2018, as amended (“Charter”); and

Whereas, Charter §13.1A provides:

“The power to make and to authorize the making of contracts on behalf of the City is vested in the City Council and shall be exercised in accordance with the provisions of law”; and

Whereas, the City previously adopted Resolution #42 of 2023, a Resolution to approve a bid from J. Ranck Electric, Inc., for Grand Renovations for Downtown Grand Ledge Contract #1; and

Whereas, the Bid from J. Ranck Electric, Inc., for Grand Renovations for Downtown Grand Ledge Contract #1 was not signed or implemented by J. Ranck Electric, Inc.; and

Whereas, staff recommends repealing Resolution #42 of 2023, a Resolution to approve a bid from J. Ranck Electric, Inc., for Grand Renovations for Downtown Grand Ledge Contract #1;

Now, Therefore, It Is Resolved:

1. The City Repeals Resolution #42 of 2023, a Resolution to approve a bid from J. Ranck Electric, Inc., for Grand Renovations for Downtown Grand Ledge Contract #1.
2. The City directs the City Manager and Finance Director / Treasurer to appropriate the funds necessary to implement said repeal.
3. The City Manager, or their duly authorized agent or representative, is authorized and directed to implement said repeal on behalf of the City; to do any other act(s) or thing(s) which shall be necessary to implement said repeal on behalf of the City; to preserve and protect the rights, duties and obligations of the City thereunder; and to do any act or thing required by statute, Charter, ordinance, rule, regulation or other provision of law in order to implement said repeal.

Motion by

Second by

Ayes:

Nays:

Absent:

Approved:

Keith O. Mulder, Mayor

I, Gregory L. Newman, Grand Ledge City Clerk, certify this is Resolution #_____ of 2023, adopted by the Grand Ledge City Council at a regular meeting held on Monday, 09 October 2023; in the Council Chambers, City Hall, 310 Greenwood St., Grand Ledge MI 48837, in compliance with the Open Meetings Act, as amended.

Gregory L. Newman, City Clerk