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COUNCIL MEMORANDUM 96-54

From: John T. Felton, Public Works Director/City Engineer

Date: May 27, 1996

Subject: Library Painting Bid Award

There were no bids submitted for the Library Painting project. This is very surprising as there was a well attended pre-bid meeting. The contractors raised some general questions but all felt that it was a "good job" and I expected to receive at least two or three bids.

As a result of there being no bids I am looking to alternate sources to paint the building. Tony is too busy to do it himself and really does not have the time to hire a crew and foreman the job. He certainly has the ability, but his time is better spent in other areas.

I have been in touch with the Job Corps Training Center. They have a specific program and may be able to help us with a class project. I am meeting with Mr. Hall on Tuesday and will continue to report to the Council.

RECOMMENDATION:

Authorize the Director of Public Works to seek alternate methods to paint the library building to include sole source and allow him to complete the project within the current project budget.

John T. Felton
Public Works Director/City Engineer

APPROVED

DATE:

BY:

5/31/96 or 5/29/96 Meeting
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May 26, 1996

Walter Hall
Job Corps Training Center
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Dear Mr. Hall:

Re: Proposed Painting Project

I am writing this letter to confirm our telephone conversation of May 24, 1996. At that time I told you that the City of Wasilla was seeking your help in painting the City Library. You stated that you had to be certain that the work was going to be performed on a public building and that you would not be in competition with the local labor force.

First the building that is in question is the Wasilla Public Library. This is very much a public building located on public lands. It was constructed with public funds and it is being maintained and operated with public funds.

The City has been advertising a construction project to paint this building. We have gone through all of the City's required procurement policies. A pre-bid meeting was held on May 21, 1996. This meeting was well attended and I was expecting at least two or three bids. However, on May 24, 1996 no bids were received for this work. There have been no calls or complaints about the bidding procedures. The City has been actively trying to contract with the local labor force; however, they have shown no interest in this project.

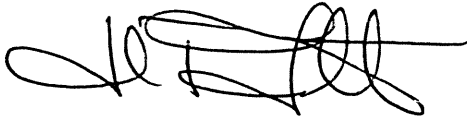
Normally, the next step would be for the City to complete this work in-house. I would have my maintenance person hire individuals to paint the building. Unfortunately, I do not have anyone to spare. That is the reason that the City is requesting help from the Job Corps.

I have the funds available to supply all of the materials necessary for the job. I can also purchase and donate any special equipment that the Center may need to complete this project. The only restriction is that I must complete all of the financial dealings in this fiscal year (prior to June 30, 1996).

Walter Hall
May 27, 1996
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If you have any questions or want any further clarifications, please feel free to contact me anytime.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "John T. Felton". The signature is stylized with loops and a long horizontal stroke at the end.

John T. Felton, P.E.
Public Works Director/City Engineer

c: Mayor Stein