

**SUBJECT: Award of Contract for Street Strip Paving**

PREPARED BY: Mike Kriebler, Project Administrator *MK* DATE: August 19, 1999

FOR AGENDA OF: August 23, 1998

**SUMMARY:** The bid opening for this project was held at 2 p.m., August 18, 1999. Four bids were received. The bids were read aloud, as follows:

|                      |              |
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| Pruhs Corporation    | \$117,720.00 |
| Wilder Construction  | 162,475.00   |
| Koch Construction    | 194,840.00   |
| Alaska Road Builders | 201,780.00   |

I have reviewed the bids and found that the Wilder Construction and Pruhs Corporation bid documents contained one informality/irregularity each. Specifically:

1. Pruhs Corporation did not acknowledge receipt of Addendum #1. In discussions with the company, Pruhs stated that their bid price did not account for the items in the addendum. Pruhs' representative stated that their price would need to be increased. Public Works and the Administration did not accept Pruhs' proposal to increase their bid price by \$15,000 to account for the addendum items. To accept an increased bid price would be contrary to accepted bidding procedures. Therefore, Pruhs has withdrawn its bid (see attached letter of August 19<sup>th</sup>).
2. Wilder Construction did not describe their bid schedule amounts in words, using only numbers. Wasilla uses the Municipality of Anchorage specifications. Anchorage recently revised their specifications and now do not require words on bid sheets.

The bid documents for this project and existing ordinances allow the City to waive minor bid informalities/irregularities. Although the bid schedule requests that the bid include both words and numbers, Public Works and the Administration believe that this informality/irregularity should be waived as it did not affect the price and meets accepted bidding practices.

**RECOMMENDED ACTION:**

For Council to waive the bidding informality/irregularity for Wilder Construction, and to award the contract to Wilder Construction in the amount of \$162,475.

*Sarah Palin*  
Reviewed by: SARAH PALIN, Mayor

Presented to council on 8/23/99  
Action taken:  Approved  Denied  
other: \_\_\_\_\_  
Verified by *JK*

PRUHS  
Corporation



August 19, 1999

Mr. Mike Keieber  
Project Engineer, Department of Public Works  
City of Wasilla  
290 East Herning Avenue  
Wasilla, Alaska 99654

Re: Street Strip Paving  
Subject: Withdrawal of Bid

Dear Mr. Kriber:

Pruhs Corporation has reviewed its bid as presented yesterday to the City of Wasilla, in light of the fact that there was an addendum of which we were not aware. Our first information that it existed was when you noted that we had not acknowledged it in our proposal. After modifying our estimate to accommodate the requirements of the addendum, we find that we cannot afford to perform the work at the unit prices presented at time of bid opening.

We therefore regretfully withdraw our bid for the project. We understand that no penalty will be assessed for this withdrawal, since it was due to insufficient information and not due to an error in judgement.

Thank you for the opportunity to bid on this work. We look forward to bidding and performing other work for you in the future.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Frank S. Chandler Jr.", is written over a horizontal line.

Frank S. Chandler Jr.  
Estimator/Project Manager

**CITY OF WASILLA**

19-Jul-99

**PROPOSED 1999 STRIP PAVING PROJECTS**

|  | <u>Length<br/>Lineal Feet</u> | <u>Paving<br/>Width (ft)</u> | <u>Side Road<br/>Approaches</u> | <u>Appr Depth/<br/>Radius (ft)</u>    | <u>No. of D/W<br/>Approaches</u> |
|--|-------------------------------|------------------------------|---------------------------------|---------------------------------------|----------------------------------|
| Railroad Ave<br>KGB to Lake St.                                    | 1270                          | 24                           | 2                               | 30                                    | 0                                |
| Park Ave.<br>KGB westward  | 130                           | 24                           | 1                               | 30                                    | 0                                |
| Danna Way<br>Fishhook<br>to Lucille                                | 1190                          | 24                           | na                              | na                                    | 0                                |
| Fern St.<br>KGB to Mint  | 1878                          | 24                           | 3                               | 30                                    | 0                                |
| Blind Nick/Wampum  | 1600                          | 24                           | 4                               | 30                                    | 0                                |
| Wonderland Park<br>West Parking Lot                                | 182                           | 55                           |                                 |                                       |                                  |
| Basketball Courts  | 164                           | 114                          |                                 |                                       |                                  |
| Bike Path  | 1800                          | 9                            |                                 |                                       |                                  |
| Seneca Ave<br>westward from<br>edge of pavement<br>west of Peck St | 600                           | 24                           | 1                               | match ex.<br>rolled curb,<br>one side | 3                                |

**NOTES**

1. 2 inches D-1 and 2-inches AC pavement to be placed by contractor.
2. All existing surfaces are prepared gravel surfaces for D-1 and AC placement.
3. Surface to be paved will be prepared by City.