



City of Grand Forks
Staff Report
Committee of the Whole – May 27, 2025
City Council – June 2, 2025

APPROVED & ACCEPTED
by City Council

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Agenda Item: Bids for City Project No. 8925 – Lincoln Drive Pond Cleaning (15th Ave S and Belmont Rd)

Submitted by: Engineering Department, Christian Danielson, PE (Assistant City Engineer)
Anthony Ryan, PE (Civil Engineer, Senior)

Staff Recommended Action: Award Contract to low bidder, Gowan Construction in the amount of \$297,215.85 for City Project No. 8925 – Lincoln Drive Pond Cleaning (15th Ave S and Belmont Rd).

Committee Recommended Action: Motion by Berg, second by Weigel to refer to City Council with a recommendation to approve. Motion carried unanimously.

Council Action: Motion by Osowski, second by Berg to approve on consent agenda. Motion carried unanimously.

BACKGROUND:

Bids for this Project were received on 5/22/25. The low bid of \$297,215.85 was submitted by Gowan Construction and is approximately 61% under the Engineer's Estimate.

This Project consists of silt and vegetation removal from the pond south of Lincoln Park on the wet side of the levee (15th Ave S and Belmont Rd). This pond was originally constructed by the Corps of Engineers as part of the Flood Protection Project. In years following construction, the pond has filled with silt deposited from storm sewers draining into the pond and from silt deposited by frequent flood events. In recent years the silt has caused the water to backup into the gate structure. The gate structure is closed in advance of a flood to prevent floodwaters from backing up under the levee and into the City storm sewer system. In the spring, accumulated ice and frozen silt deposits must be removed in advance of a flood to make sure the slide gates are securely closed. Public Works has indicated that the removal of the ice and material is difficult and labor intensive. It is expected that this project will facilitate the maintenance and operation of the pond and associated structures.

The US Army Corps of Engineers requires the City to upkeep maintenance of the flood protection system to be eligible for PL84-99 assistance during a major flood event. This Project is maintenance that will help the City maintain its eligibility for assistance from the Corps in addition to assisting with operating efforts.

ANALYSIS AND FINDINGS OF FACT:

- Estimated construction cost is \$761,655.00.
- A total of 7 bids were received and 7 bids were opened.
- Bids ranged from \$297,215.85 to \$992,949.00.
- The lowest bid was from Gowan Construction in the amount of \$297,215.85.
- Funding for this project will come from Flood Protection Capital maintenance Fund 4154 where \$300,000 has been budgeted for this activity.
- Work is projected to take place in winter 2025.
- The USACE requires that the City upkeeps the flood protection project to be eligible for PL84-99 assistance during a major flood event.

SUPPORT MATERIALS:

- Abstract of Bids Received
- Project Location Map
- 2025 City Budget, page 309

Abstract of Bids Received
City Project No. 8925

Project Name - 2025 Pond Cleaning - 15th & Belmont
 Bid Opening - 2:00 PM on Thursday, May 22, 2025

Contractor	Acknowledge Addendum 1	Bid Bond	Contractor's License	Base Bid
1 Gowan Construction Oslo, MN	n/a	x	x	\$297,215.85
2 Complete Track Works Inc. Grand Forks, ND	n/a	x	x	\$428,004.85
3 Strata Corporation Grand Forks, ND	n/a	x	x	\$533,725.50
4 Robinson Excavating, Inc. Grand Forks, ND	n/a	x	x	\$647,407.50
5 United Crane & Excavation Grand Forks, ND	n/a	x	x	\$711,036.50
6 RJ Zavoral & Sons Inc. East Grand Forks, MN	n/a	x	x	\$761,649.00
7 Berger Enterprises Emerado, ND	n/a	x	x	\$992,949.00
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<i>Engineer's Estimate</i>				\$761,655.00

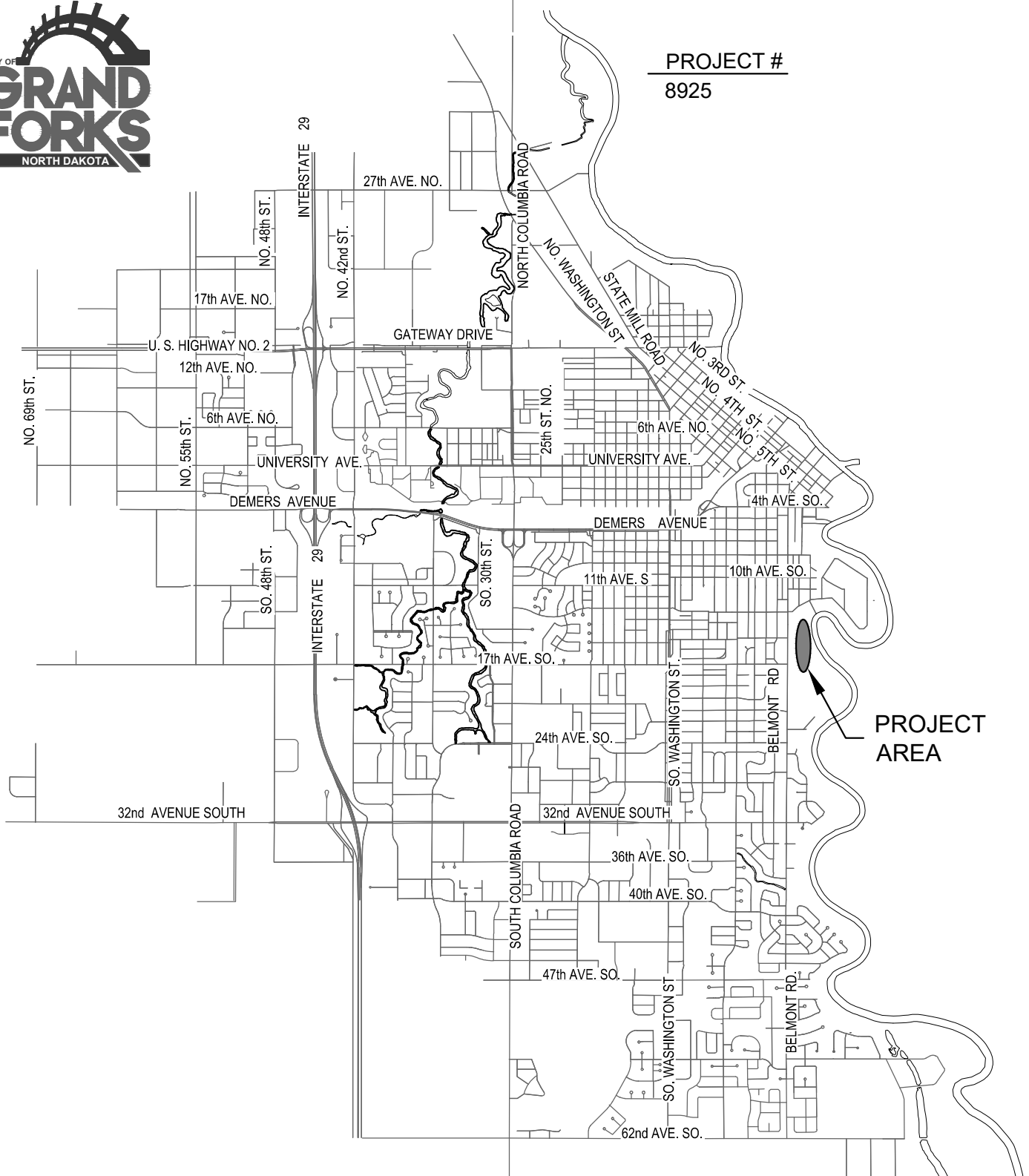
PROPOSAL

GRAND FORKS, NORTH DAKOTA

2025 LINCOLN DR POND CLEANING
15TH AVE S AND BELMONT RD



PROJECT #
8925





Flood Protection Capital Maintenance

G/L Account	Account Description	2022 Amended Budget	2022 Actual Amount	2023 Amended Budget	2023 Actual Amount	2024 Amended Budget	2025 Adopted Budget
Fund 4154 - Flood Protection Capital Mtce							
EXPENSE							
Department 100 - Expenditures							
<i>Contractual Services</i>							
4154.100 430.0090	Advertising	.00	1,926.06	4,636.00	4,635.52	.00	.00
4154.100 430.0150	Consultants	.00	.00	3,500.00	3,500.00	.00	.00
<i>Contractual Services Totals</i>		\$0.00	\$1,926.06	\$8,136.00	\$8,135.52	\$0.00	\$0.00
<i>Operating Transfers Out</i>							
4154.100 900.0010	Operating Transfers Out	.00	.00	18,537.00	18,536.75	.00	.00
<i>Operating Transfers Out Totals</i>		\$0.00	\$0.00	\$18,537.00	\$18,536.75	\$0.00	\$0.00
<i>Capital Outlay</i>							
4154.100 600.0010	Land Acquisition	.00	289,727.69	.00	.00	.00	.00
4154.100 650.0010	Work In Progress	1,308,708.00	275,769.78	1,074,557.00	1,159,158.43	4,151,399.00	3,770,000.00
Budget Transactions							
<i>Level</i>	<i>Transaction</i>				<i>Number of Units</i>	<i>Cost Per Unit</i>	<i>Total Amount</i>
Adopted Budget	English Coulee Diversion Maintenance				1.0000	850,000.00	850,000.00
Adopted Budget	Flood Station Rehab				1.0000	500,000.00	500,000.00
Adopted Budget	GF South Area Overland Flow Risk Eval				1.0000	100,000.00	100,000.00
Adopted Budget	Greenway Trail Overlay				1.0000	110,000.00	110,000.00
Adopted Budget	Levee/Excavation Settlement Repair				1.0000	100,000.00	100,000.00
Adopted Budget	Misc. Riprap Replacement				1.0000	90,000.00	90,000.00
Adopted Budget	Public Works Mower				1.0000	50,000.00	50,000.00
Adopted Budget	River's Edge				1.0000	200,000.00	200,000.00
Adopted Budget	South End Drainage Improvements (East)				1.0000	1,470,000.00	1,470,000.00
Adopted Budget	Stormwater Pond Clearing/Mtce				1.0000	300,000.00	300,000.00
<i>Adopted Budget Totals</i>							\$3,770,000.00
4154.100 700.0050	Gen Equipment N.O.C.	.00	.00	14,533.00	14,532.02	.00	.00
<i>Capital Outlay Totals</i>		\$1,308,708.00	\$565,497.47	\$1,089,090.00	\$1,173,690.45	\$4,151,399.00	\$3,770,000.00