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Mr. Courtney Hall, Parish Administrator
Lincoln Parish Police Jury
P O Box 979
Ruston, LA 71273

RE: North Louisiana Exhibition Center Addition
Recommendation of Award
MML&H File No. 7239-010

Dear Mr. Hall:

This morning bids were received in connection with the North Louisiana Exhibition Center Addition project to add the Warm Up Arena. Nine (9) bids were received for the project with the lowest base bid being submitted by Pro-Build Construction, Inc. from Homer, Louisiana for the Base Bid amount of \$502,215.00. Their bids for Additive Alternates Nos. 1 and 2 were \$13,025.00 and \$4,896.00 respectively. The total bid for the base bid and both alternates is \$520,136.00.

A certified tabulation of all bids received is enclosed. The lowest bidder has a valid Louisiana Contractor's License, valid bid bond, and has completed previous projects of a similar scope and nature in the State of Louisiana including the original construction of the Exhibition Center's 3 contracts. Therefore, we recommend that the project be awarded to Pro-Build Construction, Inc. in the amount of \$520,136.00 subject to the satisfactory receipt of all forms and information required under the contract provisions. If the Police Jury concurs with this recommendation, please have the Police Jury authorize the award of the contract and allow you to sign all award related documents.

When the project began, the Covered Warmup Arena was to be 230' X 230'. When the project budget was reviewed, Meyer, Meyer, LaCroix & Hixson, Inc. contacted three contractors to evaluate the ability to construct the project within the available funds. The consensus was that the project construction cost would be between \$900,000 and \$1.2 million. MML&H, Inc. recommended reducing the size of the building to 160' X 230' to get it within the available funds. With the interest in the project among local contractors and the low bid prices, it will be possible to add some of the original square footage back to the project by a change order. A preliminary discussion with the low bidder indicated that this could be done at approximately the same cost per square foot of the project as bid, approximately \$14.00/SF or an additional cost of \$128,800. A project budget showing the cost of returning the Covered Warmup Arena to a 200' x 230' footprint would bring the project budget to \$806,911. If the Police Jury would like to pursue this change order, this can be negotiated and presented at the next Police Jury meeting for approval.

Should you have questions, please let us know.

Sincerely,

Markay Brown, P.E.
Senior Project Manager

Enclosures

cc: Angela Manning, Director, North Louisiana Exhibition Center

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North Louisiana Exhibition Center Addition Project Budget
October 9, 2018

160' X 230' = 36,800 Square Foot Structure

Description		Bid Price
1	Base Bid	\$ 502,215.00
2	Additive Alternate No. 1	\$ 13,025.00
3	Additive Alternate No. 2	\$ 4,896.00
4	Potential Change Order to Add 40' by 230' (9,200 SF) Back to Arena	\$ 128,800.00
	Subtotal	\$ 648,936.00
	Contingency	\$ 63,800.00
	Total Construction	\$ 712,736.00
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	Basic Engineering (FP&C Fee Curve)	\$ 69,000.00
	Surveying	\$ 3,800.00
	Inspection (Part Time)	\$ 12,000.00
	Permitting	\$ 3,000.00
	Geotechnical Report (Ardaman)	\$ 4,375.00
	Testing During Construction (Ardaman)	\$ 2,000.00
	Total	\$ 806,911.00

