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TO: Members, Board of Education
Dr. Constance Collins, Superintendent

FROM: Therese M. O'Neill, Assistant Superintendent for Finance & Operations
Norman Lane, Director of Buildings & Grounds

RE: Summer 2010 Capital Projects Recommendations

DATE: February 9, 2010

At the October 13, 2009 meeting, the Board reviewed recommended Summer 2010 Capital Projects (see attachment #1) totaling \$1,095,464 before contingency and architect fees and, at its October 27, 2009 meeting, gave the Administration authority to proceed with the preparation of bid documents.

A bid notice was published in the January 14, 2010 issue of The Oak Leaves, calling for a bid opening on February 2, 2010 at 1:00 p.m. A mandatory pre-bid meeting was held on January 19, 2010, at which time 18 vendors presented themselves. On February 2, 2010, 11 bids were received (see attachment #2) and the District's architectural firm is recommending award (see attachment #3) to the low bidder, Happ Builders, Inc. in the total amount of \$823,850 (\$805,000 for base bid and \$18,850 for four alternates). Happ Buildings, Inc. was the successful vendor for last year's capital project work.

There is a projected savings of \$271,614 between estimate of cost and actual bids received, and this is due primarily to getting our bid out in a timely fashion so that significant interest, as well as, competition could take place.

FAC (Facilities Advisory Committee) will be meeting on February 10, 2010 and given their involvement with providing counsel to the Board of Education, will likewise review the bids received. If there are no suggestions or recommendations, it is anticipated that FAC will support award of this contract prior to the Board taking formal action at its February 23, 2010 meeting.

The Administration supports the recommendation of DLA Architects, Ltd. And recommends award of a contract to Happ Builders, Inc. in the total amount of \$823,850, pending review and confirmation by FAC.

Attachments (3)

