City of Joliet

150 West Jefferson Street
Joliet, IL 60432

Memo

File #: 281-25 **Agenda Date:**5/6/2025

TO: Mayor and City Council

FROM: Allison Swisher, Director of Public Utilities

SUBJECT:
Award of Contract for the 2025 On-Call Excavation and Underground Utility Repair Program in the Amount of $400,000.00

BACKGROUND:
The Department of Public Utilities has developed an on-call excavation and underground utility program. The work covered by this program consists of contractors providing excavation and underground repair services for the City of Joliet sewer and water system on an as needed basis for emergency response and planned work that is beyond the capabilities of City of Joliet in-house resources.

An advertisement for bids for the 2025 On-Call Excavation and Underground Utility Repair Program was published in the Labor Record on Thursday, March 27, 2025.

The Public Service Committee will review this matter.

CONCLUSION:
On Monday, April 14, 2025, at 10:00 a.m., four (4) sealed bids were received for the 2025 On-Call Excavation and Underground Utility Repair Program. The bid summary is as follows:

CONTRACTOR	BID AMOUNT
Construction by Camco Inc., Joliet, IL	$297,141.20
Austin Tyler Construction, Inc., Elwood, IL	$312,390.68
Airy's Inc., Joliet, IL	$375,260.68
PT Ferro Construction Co., Joliet, IL	$389,540.00
Engineer's Estimate	$332,940.00

This contract is for on-call services and is based on an estimated number of excavations and underground repair work to be completed. This contract will be awarded to the three contractors that provided the lowest unit prices to allow for flexibility in completing the work based on Contractor availability. Work will be offered to the low bidder. Should they not be able to complete the work within the timeframe specified in the contract documents, the second contractor will be asked to do the work at their unit prices. Finally, should the second contractor not be able to complete the work, the contractor with the third lowest unit prices will be asked to complete the work at their unit prices. Based on this, the contract will be awarded to Construction by Camco Inc., Austin Tyler Construction,

Inc., and Airy's Inc. at the unit prices provided in their bids for a not to exceed amount of $400,000.00.

Funds will be charged to the Water & Sewer Operating Fund / Water / Contractual Services (Org 50080012, Object 524200, $200,000.00) and to the Water & Sewer Improvement Fund / Sewer / Contractual Services (Org 50080020, Object 524200, $200,000.00).

RECOMMENDATION:
Based on the above, it is recommended that the Mayor and City Council award the Contract for the 2025 On-Call Excavation and Underground Utility Repair Program, in the amount of $400,000.00, on behalf of Construction by Camco Inc., Austin Tyler Construction, Inc., and Airy's Inc., to be paid to the contractors based on the unit prices provided in their bids.