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Board of Public Works
West Allis City Hall
West Allis, Wisconsin

Re: Project No. 2026-2 – Rogers Park Play Surface Replacement

Dear Board Members:

The Engineering Department opened bids on December 17, 2025 for the Rogers Park Play Surface Replacement. There were four bidders and the bids ranged from \$383,847 to \$765,497. The Engineer's Estimate was \$501,000. The bid tabulation is attached.

Property Solutions Contracting, LLC, was the low bidder on this project. The City of West Allis has not worked with this contractor in the past. The Engineering Department reviewed their Prequalification documents and allowed them to bid on this project.

The next lowest bidder is C.W. Purpero, Inc. at \$530,702. So, the difference between the low bid and next lowest bid is \$146,855, which is a significant difference. The difference between the first and second bids are usually at 5%-10%, so this difference raises a concern with the Engineering Department.

Because of this, the Engineering Department corresponded with the owners of previous projects that Property Solutions Contracting worked on. The consensus of these owners was that the work was completed, but the contractor had to be supervised carefully and many extra costs were asked for.

Awarding this project is at the discretion of the Common Council. The Engineering Department wanted to inform the Board of Public Works about the large discrepancy in prices before the project is awarded.

Please reach out with any questions to Rob Hutter, PE, Assistant City Engineer or me. Thank you.

Thank you,

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