



January 14, 2022

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Andy Schultz  
City Engineer for Utilities  
Sent via email: [SchultzA@ci.missoula.mt.us](mailto:SchultzA@ci.missoula.mt.us)

Re: Broadway Water Main Replacement  
City of Missoula Project #2020-039  
Bid Award Recommendation

Dear Andy:

We have reviewed the bids received on Thursday, January 13<sup>th</sup> for the Broadway Water Main Replacement Project. One bid was received for the project from Knife River Corporation with a bid of \$342,800.00. While the bid was above the engineer's estimate of \$297,170.00 for the project, we feel the increase in bid is a fair value, attributable to some construction requirements added late to the project from the Montana Department of Transportation (boring of services lines, etc.).

WGM Group has no objection to awarding the project to Knife River Corporation for an amount of **\$342,800.00**. Knife River Corporation has a long history of performing water main construction for the City of Missoula as well as working within Montana Department of Transportation right-of-way.

Based on our review, WGM Group, Inc. recommends that the City of Missoula authorize award of the Broadway Water Main Replacement project to Knife River Corporation.

Sincerely,  
WGM Group, Inc.

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "Jonathan L. Gass".

Jonathan L. Gass, PE, LEED AP  
PRINCIPAL ENGINEER

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