



**City of Missoula, Montana**  
**Item to be Referred to City Council Committee**

**Committee:** Public Works

**Item:** Bid Award with Prospect Construction Inc, for the Cooper Street Alley Water Main Replacement

**Date:** November 15, 2021

**Sponsor(s):** Andrew Schultz

**Prepared by:** Ashley Strayer

**Ward(s) Affected:**

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| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Ward 1 | <input type="checkbox"/> Ward 4 |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Ward 2            | <input type="checkbox"/> Ward 5 |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Ward 3            | <input type="checkbox"/> Ward 6 |
| <input type="checkbox"/> All Wards         | <input type="checkbox"/> N/A    |

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**Action Required:**

Award bid to Prospect Construction, Inc. for the Cooper Street Alley Water Main Replacement and authorize the return of bid bonds.

**Recommended Motion(s):**

I move the City Council: Award the bid for Cooper Street Alley Water Main Replacement Project to Prospect Construction, Inc. for an amount not to exceed \$1,013,580.50 and authorize the return of bid bonds.

**Timeline:**

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| Referral to committee:            | November 15, 2021 |
| Committee discussion:             | November 17, 2021 |
| Council action (or sets hearing): | November 29, 2021 |
| Public Hearing (if required):     | N/A               |
| Deadline:                         | N/A               |

**Background and Alternatives Explored:**

Missoula Water issued a bid to replace an existing 6" kalmein water main located in the Cooper Street alley. This main has had multiple leak repairs on it and is a top priority for Missoula Water to replace. The project will replace 5 blocks of water main in the alley and another additional block in Bulwer Street. A total of 1,250 linear feet of new water main will be installed. The alley is very crowded with other utilities including the existing water main, sewer main, and gas main, so the new water main will be bored through the alley and open trenched at the street crossings. A new fire hydrant will also be installed on Bulwer Street.

Electronic bids were opened on November 2, 2021 at 2:00 pm. A single bid was received. The bid was reviewed for completeness and accuracy and deemed responsive. Prospect Construction was the apparent lowest bidder with a total bid of \$1,013,580.50. The City's consultant engineer on the project, IMEG, has recommended that the City award the project to Prospect Construction as the lowest bidder.

**Financial Implications:**

\$1,013,580.50 from the Water Enterprise Fund

**Links to external websites:**

None