



MEMORANDUM

TO: ROBERT A. KUNTZ, CITY ADMINISTRATOR
FROM: GARY R. KRAMER, P.E., CITY ENGINEER/DIRECTOR OF PUBLIC WORKS
DATE: FEBRUARY 12, 2013
SUBJECT: READY MIX CONCRETE BIDS

Ready mix concrete is used for in-house pavement slab, curb and gutter, and sidewalk replacements. Requests for bids were sent to six suppliers. Also, we advertised in the St. Louis Business Journal, Reed Construction Data, Construction Market Data, FW Dodge Reports, and the City's website. Bid specifications are on file at the Public Works Department. On February 1, 2013, three bids were received and opened. The specifications requested bids for estimated quantities of 950 cubic yards of "high early strength" concrete for slabs which cure in 3 days and 290 cubic yards of standard concrete for sidewalks which cure in 7 days. The summary of bids received is as follows.

Table with 4 columns: Bidder, Slabs Unit Price, Sidewalks Unit Price, Total Bid. Rows include Landvatter Ready Mix, Inc., Valley Material Company, and Budget.

The high early strength concrete is used for slab replacement in order that the section can be reopened to traffic in the shortest time. Standard concrete is used for sidewalk replacement.

In addition to the cubic yard unit price, the following alternate bid prices were received.

Table with 5 columns: Item No., Description, Unit, Landvatter Ready Mix, Inc., Valley Material Company. Rows A-E describe various construction items and their alternate prices.

* Depends on number of cubic yards.
** Standard mix; high early strength mix

Applying the alternate unit bid prices to the 2012 cubic yards purchased, Valley Material add-on charges are substantially less than Landvatter. Considering the add-on charges, Valley Material submitted the most cost effective unit prices. Therefore, we recommend awarding the contract to Valley Material including the alternate bid prices.