

**Agenda Item:** 2.e

**Meeting Date:** December 3, 2024

## **MEMORANDUM**

**To:** City Commission

**Date:** 2024-11-21

**From:** Janice Bennett

**Subject:** Award of Bid #24-1279 for the Locklie Street Brick Paving Project to Mali Contracting Corp., of Tampa, FL, in the amount of \$272,540.40.

**Presenter(s):** Clayton "Clay" Watkins, P.E.; Assistant Director of Utilities / City Engineer

**Recommend:** Staff recommends approval to award Bid #24-1279 for the Locklie Street Brick Paving Project, from Loudon to Milwaukee Avenues, inclusive of a 'Bid Alternate' to purchase and install new bricks, to Mali Contracting Corp., of Tampa, FL, in the amount of \$272,540.40.

**Epic Goal(s):** Goal #2 - Create a visual sense of place throughout Dunedin; and Goal #4 - Be the statewide model for environmental sustainability stewardship.

**Boards & Committees:** N / A

**Budget Impact:** Funds for this project were budgeted under Project #632301 in FY24 in the One Cent Sales Tax Fund (Acct. #134-6300-541-056301-ZZ) at \$212,540.40; and in the Stormwater Fund (Acct. #443-5300-538-056301-SU) at \$60,000; to fully fund the project for a total amount of \$272,540.40.

**Past Action:** None

**Next Action:** Issue a Purchase Order (PO) for Bid #24-1279 to Mali Contracting Corp, subject to Commission approval of staff's award recommendation.

**Attachments:** [A. ITB #24-1279 - Locklie Street Paving Project - Purchasing Agent Memo.pdf](#)  
[B. Bid Tabulation \(Bid #24-1279\).pdf](#)  
[C. MALI CONTRACTING CORP - Bid Submittal \(Bid #24-1279\).pdf](#)

**Background:**

The scope of this project involves contracting with a qualified company to furnish all materials, labor, and equipment necessary to restore approximately 270 linear feet of brick roadway on Locklie Street, from Loudon to Milwaukee Avenues. Additionally, the ADA ramps along Milwaukee Avenue will be reconstructed to meet compliance standards. The project includes the removal and replacement of existing gutters on both sides of the roadway. Unsuitable underlying soils beneath the brick will be excavated to a depth of approximately 12 inches, backfilled, and compacted with crushed concrete material prior to restoring the brick roadway. Existing bricks will be hand-stacked and stored, and new replacement bricks of similar size and color will be purchased for the restoration of Locklie Street. Separately, Engineering staff has been made aware of the City of Tampa's interest in the purchase of any salvaged bricks not repurposed for this project.

The City's brick streets were assessed using Agile Assets Pavement Management software. Based on the program's results and staff observations, this section was identified as the highest priority brick street for restoration. The City conducted geotechnical borings that identified a sand sublayer beneath the existing street. The geotechnical firm recommended crushed concrete as the most suitable replacement base course material for the brick repaving.

The project was advertised in September 2024, with 23 companies obtaining plans and specifications. Four (4) responses were received by the October 15, 2024, bidding deadline. City staff reviewed each submittal and determined the lowest responsive bidder was Mali Contracting Corp., of Tampa, FL, with a bid amount of \$272,540.40, which met all the requirements specified in the bid documents. Staff subsequently checked the company's references and received satisfactory feedback. Additionally, the contractor is properly licensed to perform this work.

Construction is anticipated to begin as soon as possible following the issuance of a Notice to Proceed (NTP), expected in early 2025. Substantial completion is projected within 90 days of the NTP.

Staff hereby recommends Commission approval to award Bid #24-1279 to Mali Contracting Corp., of Tampa, FL, in the amount of \$272,540.40, as detailed herein.