

Agenda Item: 2.b

Meeting Date: June 1, 2021

MEMORANDUM

To: City Commission

Date: 2021-05-23

From: Paul Stanek, Dir of PW & Utilities

Subject: Award of Bid #21-1180 titled "Furnish & Install Granular Activated Carbon."

Presenter(s): Russell Ferlita, Assistant Director of Public Works & Utilities / City Engineer

Recommend: Staff recommends award of Bid #21-1180 to Carbon Activated Corporation, of Blasdell, NY, in the estimated annual amount of \$131,210.

Epic Goal(s): Goal #4 - Be the statewide model for environmental sustainability stewardship.

Boards & Committees: N / A

Budget Impact: Funds are budgeted in the Water & Sewer Utility Fund (Acct. # 441-5165-535-054610-WU).

Past Action: None

Next Action: None

Attachments: [A. Purchasing Agent Memo - \(Bid #21-1180 F & I Granular Activated Carbon\).pdf](#),
[B. Bid #21-1180 - Tabulation.pdf](#),

Background: The City's Reverse Osmosis Water Treatment Plant (ROWTP) uses granular activated carbon (GAC) as part of the process to produce potable water. As a result of the ROWTP rehabilitation project., the use of GAC is new to the treatment process. The scope of this bid involves contracting with a company qualified to furnish all materials, labor and equipment necessary to

remove the existing GAC and replace it with new material. This service will be completed on an as needed basis. Staff estimates that it will use 80,000 pounds of GAC annually.

City staff reviewed the bids. The low bid was submitted by Calgon Carbon Corporation, of Moon Township, PA, in the amount of \$119,210. However, their bid included exceptions which could result in higher costs to the City. As a result, the "low bid" was declared non-responsive and was rejected. Carbon Activated Corporation (CAC), of Blasdell, NY, submitted the second lowest bid at a cost of \$1.64 / lb. Based upon the estimated annual usage of 80,000 lbs, the total bid amount is estimated at \$131,210 = ($\$1.64 * 80,000 + \10). CAC's bid met all of the requirements of the bid specifications and was found to be the "lowest cost, responsive and responsible bid" as required by the specifications. Additionally, City staff checked the contractor's references and received favorable responses.

Funds for this service are budgeted in FY21 in the Water & Sewer Utility Fund (Acct. #441-5165-535-054610-WU). Staff hereby requests approval of the award of Bid #21-1180 to Carbon Activated Corporation, of Blasdell, NY, in the annual amount of \$131,210 as detailed herein.