

TO: DONALD E. WHITE, SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOLS

FROM: MATT WILKINSON, BUSINESS MANAGER

DATE: JANUARY 22, 2004

**RE: BOARD AGENDA ITEM
AWARD PRESCHOOL FAMILY EDUCATION CENTER WEST SIDE
RENOVATION PROJECT**

As part of the approved Ten-Year Life-Safety Resurvey and Funding Plan, the renovation of the Preschool Family Education Center is included in the \$1.8 million worth of building violations identified in the resurvey at Old Wilson. The renovations are to occur on the west side of the building. Currently, PPFEF and Head Start programs are in the west side of the building. The west side of the building will be closed off this summer until renovations are completed.

As part of the PFEC west side renovation project, the contractors' scope of work will include brick and masonry; carpentry; thermal and moisture protection; interior and exterior door replacement; finishing (ceramic tile, ceiling tile, and painting); mechanical (steam and condensate piping, plumbing fixtures, drinking fountains, unit ventilators, HVAC instrumentation and controls); and electrical (wiring devices and panel boards).

The PFEC west side renovation project with contingencies was estimated to cost \$504,810. The renovation project was included in the Life-Safety Funding Plan approved by the Board in September 2002. The District has budgeted \$573,969 in life-safety funds for this project in this year's budget and \$45,000 in site and construction funds for items not covered by life-safety funds will be budgeted in fiscal year 2005. The PFEC west side renovation project is scheduled to begin on June 7, 2004 and will be completed on or before August 6, 2004.

At the December regular Board meeting, the Board authorized the Administration to prepare specifications to solicit bids for the PFEC west side renovation project. The bids were received on January 22nd and five contractors submitted bids. The lowest responsible bid was received from Ghelardini, Inc. of Pekin, Illinois, with a Base Bid of \$545,261 and Alternate Bid #3 for \$330 to connect exterior lighting controls to the Johnson Control Metasys System, for a total cost of \$545,591.

Ghelardini, Inc. was researched and appears to be a reputable contractor. They can provide the specified performance and payment bonds and will pay the prevailing wage rates. Ghelardini, Inc. was the general contractor who performed the renovation work on the east side of the PFEC last summer and the District was satisfied with their performance.

Based on the above information, I recommend the Board waive any and all irregularities in the bidding process, and award the PFEC west side renovation project to Ghelardini, Inc. of Pekin, Illinois, for the Base Bid of \$545,261 and Alternate Bid #3 for \$330, for a total cost of \$545,591.

I forward this information for your review and consideration for Board of Education action at its next regularly scheduled meeting on January 26, 2004.

BID TABULATION SHEET

**2004 LIFE SAFETY WORK FOR SCHOOL DISTRICT #108
AT THE PRESCHOOL FAMILY EDUCATION CENTER
WEST SIDE RENOVATION PROJECT**

January 22, 2004
10:00 A.M.

BIDDER	BID DEPOSIT	BASE BID	ALT #1 CABINETS	ALT #2 EAST WING DOORS	ALT #3 EXTERIOR LIGHTING CONTROL
T. Haeth I & Sons	5% Bid Bond	\$579,342	-\$4,419	-\$3,414	+\$1,315
Venovich Construction	5% Bid Bond	\$571,900	-\$4,700	-\$4,800	+\$950
Ghelardini, Inc.	5% Bid Bond	\$545,261	-\$4,507	-\$3,127	+\$330
Schielein Construction	5% Bid Bond	\$617,300	-\$4,283	-\$1,360	+\$998
K-Martin Construction	5% Bid Bond	\$613,720	-\$2,723	-\$3,390	+\$500