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Blondy Jhune Update

Friends, Lucasites, countryfolks, lend me your ears:

Tuesday evening, we entered into the pre-construction communication efforts regarding the Blondy Jhune Bridge Replacement Project. Tonight the City Council considers authorizing the City Manager to enter into a construction contract with Structural Assurance, LLC for the construction project in an amount not to exceed \$1,559,781.72 plus a 20% contingency. The project consists of replacing the west and east bridges on Blondy Jhune Road along with respective roadway approaches.

Work includes paving, grading, drainage, bridge structures, approach slabs, retaining walls, signage, pavement markings, etc. Sealed bids were received by the Purchasing Coordinator at City Hall on Wednesday, July 6, 2016, at 2:00 P.M. The Lucas City Council reserves the right to reject any or all bids. The apparent low bidder was Structural Assurance for concrete bridges. The apparent low bidder and only bidder for the alternate design for steel truss bridges was also Structural Assurance with a bid of \$1,660,000.00. I will have an update on the City Council action in another email next week.

During the meeting yesterday, a question was asked about changes in emergency response time to homes on Blondy Jhune Road between the bridges. Assistant Chief Stephens determined what the detour will take an additional two minutes to reach homes just west of the eastern bridge. He stated that the test was done without lights and sirens; so the additional time could be less during an emergency run.

Don't for get to photograph your property to document the pre-construction condition.

Please let your neighbors know about this email update. Have them send me a request if they want to be added to the list to receive these construction emails.

Sincerely,

Stanton Foerster, PE Public Works Director/City Engineer