

VILLAGE OF LOMBARD
REQUEST FOR BOARD OF TRUSTEES ACTION
For Inclusion on Board Agenda
Bids and Proposals

TO : President and Village Board of Trustees
FROM : William T. Lichter, Village Manager
DATE : July 8, 2005 Agenda Date July 21, 2005
TITLE : Sewer Rodding Service – Waiver of Bids
SUBMITTED BY: Angela M. Podesta, Utilities Superintendent *AMP*

RESULTS:

Date Bids Were Published _____ Bidding Closed _____
Total Number of Bids Received _____
Total Number of Bidders Meeting Specifications _____
Bid Security Required _____ Yes _____ No
Performance Bond Required _____ Yes _____ No
Were Any Bids Withdrawn _____ Yes _____ No
Explanation:
Waiver of Bids Requested? _____ X Yes _____ No
If yes, explain: See Attached Memo.
Award Recommended to Lowest _____ Yes _____ No
Responsible Bidder?
If no, explain:

FISCAL IMPACT:

Engineer's estimate/budget estimate \$55,000
Amount of Award \$55,000 7750.755700

BACKGROUND/RECOMMENDATION:

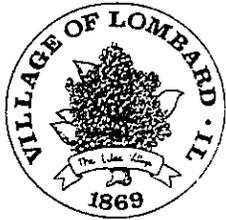
See attached memo.

Has Recommended Bidder Worked for Village Previously X Yes ___ No
If yes, was quality of work acceptable X Yes ___ No
Was item bid in accordance with Public Act 85-1295? ___ Yes X No
Waiver of bids - Public Act 85-1295 does not apply X Yes

REVIEW (as needed):

Village Attorney XX _____ Date _____
Finance Director XX *W. Leonard Flood* Date 7/13/05
Village Manager XX *William T. Lichter* Date 7/13/05

NOTE: All materials must be submitted to and approved by the Village Manager's Office by 4:30 pm, Wednesday, prior to the Board Agenda distribution.



MEMORANDUM

To: William T. Lichter, Village Manager

Through: Wes Anderson, Director of Public Works *WA*

From: Angela M. Podesta, Utilities Superintendent *AMP*

Date: July 12, 2005

Subject: Sewer Rodding Services - Waiver of Bid

The original intent of the revised Sewer Stub Program was to use plumbers who would respond in a timely manner and provide the Village with accurate information at a reasonable cost. The Sewer Stub Ordinance gives the resident the option of hiring a plumber (with the Village to witness the rodding) or using a plumber that the Village contracts with. The plumber is hired to not only open the clogged sewer service but to give the Village information on the type and location of the clog. The FY 05/06 budget for sewer rodding services is \$65,000: \$55,000 for the plumber the Village contracts with, and \$10,000 for other plumbers.

The Village Board of Trustees awarded a contract for sewer rodding services to Russ's All Plumbing for FY 04/05. Russ's All Plumbing has responded to requests in a very professional, responsive and reliable manner on a 24-hour/365 day per year basis. The average cost of rodding from Russ's All Plumbing was \$237.00 during FY 04/05 while the average bill from other plumbers hired by the residents was \$272.90. The only data we maintain is for rodding services paid for by the Village. This data includes the number of times the Village: 1) reimbursed residents for other plumbers' services when the blockage was within the Village right-of-way; 2) paid Russ's for blockages in the public right-of-way; or 3) paid Russ's and the fees were put on the resident's water bill because the blockage was on private property. Residents used Russ's Plumbing 226 times (200 public blockages and 26 private blockages paid through their water bill) and used other plumbers 44 times where the blockage was within the public right-of-way and the resident was reimbursed a portion of the rodding bill. Total sewer rodding expenditures for the past three years were as follows:

Fiscal Year	Total Budget	Total Expenditures
02/03	\$45,000	\$72,406.87
03/04	\$45,000	\$69,979.18
04/05	\$55,000	\$64,648.80

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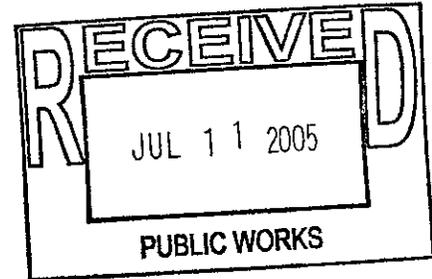
In the past, the Village solicited proposals from plumbers to participate in the rodding program and the Village ended up using Russ's All Plumbing due to availability, cost and expertise. Attached is a current schedule of charges for Russ's Plumbing. I am recommending that the Village continue using Russ's All Plumbing for sewer rodding services.

I am requesting that the Board of Trustees approve a waiver of bids for Russ's All Plumbing to perform sewer rodding services in conjunction with the Sewer Stub Program not to exceed the budgeted amount of \$55,000.

RUSS'S ALL PLUMBING & SEWER, INC.
318 INTERSTATE ROAD – ADDISON, ILLINOIS 60101-4516
PHONE: 630-932-8617 FAX: 630-543-0605

July 8, 2005

Angela Podesta
Public Works, Utilities Superintendent
Village of Lombard
255 East Wilson Road
Lombard, Illinois 60148



Dear Ms. Podesta:

Russ's All Plumbing & Sewer, Inc., as a participant in the Village of Lombard "Sewer Stub Program" (Ordinances 50.066-50.069), provide sewer rodding services to the residents of Lombard, Illinois.

Charges for our services will be billed as follows:

Rodding charges (Monday –Friday, 8:00 am to 5:00 pm (normally two men – minimum one hour each)	\$225.00
Weekends, Evenings, or Holidays an additional charge of	\$ 88.00
Remove toilet or work from crawl space additional	\$112.00
Additional rod (over 100')	\$ 45.00
Pump out basement, additional	\$ 85.00
Additional charges for over two hours, per hour	\$ 88.00

We are very proud to be a part of this program that benefits the citizens of your community. It is always a pleasure to work with you and your staff, and we look forward to many more years of continued service.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Joseph Kud". The signature is fluid and cursive.

Joseph Kud