WHATCOM COUNTY PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT

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Eric L. Schlehuber, Division Manager

MEMORANDUM

To:

The Honorable Jack Louws, County Executive & Honorable Members of the Whatcom County Council

Through:

Jon Hutchings, Public Works Director

From:

Eric L. Schlehuber, PW Equipment Services Manager

Date:

June 19, 2019

Re:

Bid #19-39, Drydocking, Repair & Maintenance of the Whatcom Chief (2019)

Requested Action

Approval requested to award the bid and subsequent contract for the 2019 Annual Drydocking, Repair and Maintenance of the Whatcom Chief to the lowest responsive bidder, Lake Union Drydock Company in Seattle, Washington in the total amount of \$555,219.00.

Background and Purpose

Bids were duly advertised and submitted for the annual drydocking, repair and maintenance of the Whatcom Chief Ferry. This work is contracted out annually by the Public Works Equipment Services Division. Three shipyards (Foss Maritime Co., Lake Union Drydock Co., and Vigor Marine, LLC.) attended the mandatory pre-bid meeting held onboard the Whatcom Chief ferry Thursday, May 23, 2019. Two bid responses were received Tuesday, June 18 2019. This year's drydock is anticipated to take up to thirteen days, from Saturday, September 7, 2019 through Friday, September 20, 2019. Listed below is the bid tabulation for the two responsive and responsible bids received. The Engineer's Estimate was \$653,233, with a return to service anticipated to be Tuesday, September 24, 2019.

DRYDOCKING, REPAIRS, & MAINTENANCE OF THE WHATCOM CHIEF (2019)

VENDOR	TOTAL
Lake Union Drydock Company	\$ 555,219.00
Foss Maritime Co	\$ 701,091.00

Funding Amount and Source

Adequate funds exist within the 2019-2020 ER&R fund budget for repairs and maintenance as approved during the 2019-2020 budget process. I am requesting Executive and the Whatcom County Council approval to award this bid and subsequent contract to Lake Union Drydock Company (Seattle, Washington) for a total of \$555,219.00.

Recommended Action

Please approve this purchase and forward to the Executive and the Whatcom County Council for approval at the July 09, 2019 Whatcom County Council Meeting. Please contact Eric L. Schlehuber at extension 6405 if you have any questions or concerns.

In Accordance with WCC 3.08.030, I concur with this recommendation.

Brad Bennett, AS Finance Manager

6/19/19 Date