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Preservation, Restoration, Education and Recreation

DATE: January 8, 2018
MEMO TO: Carol Calabresa, Chair
Planning Committee
FROM: Randall L. Seebach
Director of Planning and Land Preservation

RECOMMENDATION: Recommend approval of a Resolution awarding a Contract for the Construction of an Observation Structure at Spring Bluff Forest Preserve to Integral Construction, Inc., Country Club Hills, Illinois, in the Contract Price of \$264,032.00.

STRATEGIC DIRECTIONS SUPPORTED: Public Access and Connections; Communication, Education and Outreach

FINANCIAL DATA: This project was approved as part of the adopted FY2017/2018 Capital Improvement Plan in the amount of \$573,700.00. This portion of the project was estimated at \$285,000.00. The actual cost of \$264,032.00 will be charged to account 20104100-803200-64811. An Illinois Department of Natural Resources OSLAD grant will provide funding assistance for the overall project in the amount of \$263,700.00.

BACKGROUND: This contract will provide public access improvements at Spring Bluff Forest Preserve that includes the fabrication and installation of an outdoor observation structure. The structure consists of two joined platforms: the lower platform being approximately 5’ above grade, rectangular shaped, and accessed by an accessible ramp; and a higher platform that is approximately 15’ above grade, circular shaped, and accessed by a circular stair from the lower platform. The structure will be constructed almost entirely of steel which will provide long term durability, require minimal maintenance and provide increased protection from fire.

This project was awarded an OSLAD grant in January 2015. The overall grant project includes conversion of a deteriorated asphalt road within Spring Bluff Forest Preserve into a 14-foot wide combination crushed stone and asphalt multi-use trail, a viewing scope, and interpretive signs that will be completed separately from this contract. The observation structure will be located along the new multi-use trail.

The project was advertised on October 24, 2017 and six (6) bids were received. A summary of the bids received is listed below:

	<u>TOTAL BID</u>
Integral Construction, Inc., Country Club Hills, Illinois	\$ 264,032.00
Rasch Construction & Engineering, Inc., Kenosha, Wisconsin	\$ 315,400.00
Stuckey Construction Company, Inc., Waukegan, Illinois	\$ 329,000.00
Boller Construction Company, Inc., Waukegan, Illinois	\$ 338,000.00
Schaeffges Brothers, Inc., Wheeling, Illinois	\$ 354,890.00
Construction Consulting and Disbursement Services, Inc., Morton Grove, Illinois	\$ 560,000.00

Staff recommends that Integral Construction, Inc. be awarded the contract as the lowest responsible bidder. Work is anticipated to begin February 5, 2018 and be completed by June 29, 2018.

REVIEW BY OTHERS: Chief Operations Officer, Director of Finance, Corporate Counsel

**LAKE COUNTY FOREST PRESERVE DISTRICT
LAKE COUNTY, ILLINOIS**

**A RESOLUTION AWARDING A CONTRACT FOR THE CONSTRUCTION OF
AN OBSERVATION STRUCTURE AT SPRING BLUFF FOREST PRESERVE TO
INTEGRAL CONSTRUCTION, INC.**

WHEREAS, the Lake County Forest Preserve District (the “District”) has advertised in The News Sun for sealed bids for the Construction of an Observation Structure at Spring Bluff Forest Preserve (the “Work”); and

WHEREAS, all sealed bids were received and opened by the District at its General Offices, 1899 West Winchester Road, Libertyville, Illinois on November 16, 2017 at 10:00 a.m.; and

WHEREAS, bids were received in the following amounts from the following bidders:

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and;

WHEREAS, the District’s staff, the Purchasing Manager, the Director of Planning and Land Preservation, and the Planning Committee have reviewed the bids and recommend that the Board of Commissioners find Integral Construction, Inc. to be the lowest responsible bidder and award a contract for the Work to Integral Construction, Inc. (the “Contract”); and

WHEREAS, the Board of Commissioners hereby finds that Integral Construction, Inc. is the lowest responsible bidder for the Work;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Commissioners of the Lake County Forest Preserve District, Lake County, Illinois, **THAT**:

Section 1: Recitals. The recitals set forth above are incorporated as part of this Resolution by this reference.

Section 2: Award of Contract. The bid submitted by Integral Construction, Inc. in the amount of \$264,032.00 (the “Contract Price”) is hereby accepted and a Contract for the Work is hereby awarded to Integral Construction, Inc.

Section 3: Execution of Contract. The Executive Director of the District is hereby authorized and directed to execute the Contract for the Work in the amount of the Contract Price.

Section 4: Payments. The District Treasurer shall make payments under the Contract only pursuant to and in accordance with the Contract terms.

Section 5: Effective Date. This Resolution shall be in full force and effect from and after its passage and approval in the manner provided by law.

PASSED this ____ day of _____, 2018.

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APPROVED this ____ day of _____, 2018.

Ann B. Maine, President
Lake County Forest Preserve District

ATTEST:

Julie Gragnani, Secretary
Lake County Forest Preserve District

Exhibit No. _____