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TO: Finance Committee

FROM: Dean R. Gazza

DATE: 2/10/2020

RE: Action: Award the "2019 AWWTP Electrical Distribution Upgrades Phase 2 Project" contract to Van Ert Electric, Inc. in the amount of \$2,305,900 with a contingency of 10% for a project total not to exceed \$2,536,490.

The 2019/2020 Capital Improvement Plan includes \$4,300,000 for the Wastewater Electrical Distribution Upgrades Project. The amount of \$296,500 has been utilized for design leaving a balance of \$4,003,500 for construction. To date \$535,615 has been utilized for construction activities. The majority of the electrical distribution system is from the mid-1970's and has reached the end of its useful life. The electrical distribution system is critical to the Wastewater Treatment Plant's operations and needs to be upgraded to reduce the risk of an electrical distribution component failure. This is Phase Two of a Five-Phase project.

The bids were received as follows:

Van Ert Electric, Inc.	\$2,305,900.00
PayneCrest Electric, Inc.	\$2,464,401.00
Pieper Electric, Inc.	\$2,484,476.00
Michels Power	\$2,544,376.29
Bodart Electric Service, Inc.	\$3,555,600.00

Our consulting engineer has written the City of Appleton a formal letter of recommendation to award the contract to Van Ert Electric, Inc. The Parks, Recreation, and Facilities Management Department has also reviewed the bids and is in agreement with the engineer's recommendation. Therefore, we recommend awarding the contract to Van Ert Electric, Inc. in the amount of \$2,305,900 plus a contingency of 10% only to be utilized as needed.

Please contact me at 832-5572 or at dean.gazza@appleton.org with any questions.