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TO: Finance Committee

FROM: Dean R. Gazza

DATE: August 23, 2016

RE: Action Item: Reject awarding Water Garden Redevelopment Project at the Scheig Center in Memorial Park to Solutions 101, Inc. for a contract amount of \$164,608.66.

The 2016 Parks, Recreation and Facilities Management Department Capital Projects Fund includes \$65,000 for the removal of the boardwalk and reconstruction of the water feature at the Scheig Center in Memorial Park. Upon completing design a balance of \$58,550 remains for construction. The bids received were significantly higher than the amount budgeted. Attached is a memo from our engineer outlining potential reasons for such high bids.

A summary of the bids for the Scheig Center in Memorial Park water garden project is listed below:

<u>Company</u>	<u>Base Bid Price</u>
Solutions 101, Inc.	\$164,608.66
Advance Construction	\$274,989.00
Milbach Construction	Bid did not meet specifications

Solutions 101, Inc. was determined to be the low qualified bidder with a base bid of \$164,608.66. Total cost of the project with engineering will be \$171,058.66 plus contingency. It is the recommendation of the Parks, Recreation and Facilities Management Department to reject awarding a contract to Solutions 101, Inc. in the amount of \$164,608.66 for the redevelopment of the water garden at the Scheig Center in Memorial Park.

The Parks, Recreation and Facilities Management Department will proceed with the project by sub-contracting various functions to complete as much work as possible with the monies available.

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

PROJECT: Memorial Park – Scheig Center Water Garden Redevelopment Project

FROM: John Kneer, RLA, ASLA
TO: Mr. Dean Gazza, Mr. Tom Flick
City of Appleton PR&FMD
DATE: August 3, 2016
RE: Bid Results – Memorial Park – Scheig Center Water Garden
Redevelopment Project

Mr. Gazza, and Mr. Flick;

The Memorial Park – Scheig Center Water Garden Redevelopment Project, was bid on August 2, 2016. There was one (1) contract with two (2) alternates, included in the project.

Bids for General Site Construction, Contract A: Base Bid were received from three (3) contractors, one with "No Bid" entered on the form. We recommend collectively rejecting all bids be rejected, as all bids are over the project budget.

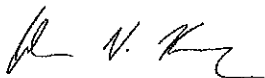
Discussions with the bidders note the timing of the project and time for construction are factors in the bid results. Based on those discussions, we feel with the current the bids were severely marked up with premium cost to pay labor overtime, as the contractors are booked through to freeze up.

The budget we produced for this project was developed using 2015 / 2016 unit cost bids, of similar construction, from projects in the Appleton and Green Bay area. We feel the bids are significantly inflated for this project.

Rettler Corporation will continue to work with the City of Appleton to recommend and design a scope of work within the budget.

Please contact us if you have questions concerning the bid results.

Sincerely,



Rettler Corporation
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Landscape Architect, Project Manager