



DEPARTMENT OF  
**PUBLIC  
WORKS**

## MEMORANDUM

**Date:** May 11, 2026  
**To:** Municipal Services Committee  
**From:** Chad Weyenberg, Project Engineer  
**Subject:** Request to award Weathering Steel Bridge Design and Construction Inspection Contract to Collins Engineers, Inc., in an amount not-to-exceed \$32,000

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The Wisconsin Department of Transportation mandates specialized inspections for unpainted weathering steel bridges. The City has two bridges where follow-up actions are required to maintain the structural integrity and lifespan of the steel. Based on the 2024 Weathering Steel Checklist that was performed, the two bridges are the Memorial Drive Bridge and the Pacific Street Bridge. The Department of Public Works requested proposals from six qualified Wisconsin consulting firms for this design and construction inspection. The City received one qualified proposal, which was from Collins Engineers, Inc., in the amount of \$31,266.55.

The Collins proposal demonstrated the related experience and personnel necessary to complete the required tasks. Collins also demonstrated a good project understanding and approach, supported by the familiarity with the City's bridge inventory. Furthermore, Collins has a good track record of bridge engineering services on other City projects.