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September 17, 2025

Steve Kana, P.E. Assistant City Engineer City of Killeen, Texas 805 West Jasper Drive Killeen, TX 76541

Re: Recommendation of Award for the Lift Station #6 Rehabilitation and Expansion Bid No. 26-06

(FNI Project #KIL23178)

Mr. Kana:

On Wednesday, September 10, 2025 bids were opened for the above referenced project. Two (2) contractors submitted bids for this project. FNI reviewed the bids for errors and omissions. All bidders acknowledged the addenda, attended the mandatory pre-bid conference, and provided bid security. A summary of the bids received is provided in the table below.

Bidder	Base Bid Amount	Alternate No. A1 Amount	Total Base Bid + Alternate No. A1
SSP Industries, LP	\$6,949,319.00	\$271,760.00	\$7,221,079.00
Bell Contractors, Inc.	\$6,859,754.90	\$105,195.20	\$6,961,950.10

The estimated expenditure for this project was \$7,159,360.

The lowest base bid was \$6,859,754.90 submitted by Bell Contractors, Inc. The lowest Alternate A1 to provide wet well coating of all interior concrete surfaces was \$105,195.20 submitted by Bell Contractors, Inc.

Based on their Statement of Qualifications and the references checked, Bell Contractors, Inc. appears to be qualified and capable of performing the work for this project. Based on this information, given that the added cost of Alternate A1 is still within project estimate and would be a much greater cost if completed separately, Freese and Nichols, Inc. recommends that the City of Killeen award the construction contract for this project to Bell Contractors, Inc., including Alternate Bid Item No. A1, for the amount of \$6,961,950.10.

If you have any questions or concerns, please let us know.

Sincerely,

Jacqueline McMahon, P.E.

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Project Manager