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MEMO

TO: Nine Mile Creek Watershed District Board of Managers
FROM: Randy Anhorn
DATE: June 15, 2020
RE: Landscaping and Raingarden Construction Quotes

Background

As mentioned at the Manager's May 20, 2020 Regular Board meeting the staff went out for quotes for landscaping and raingarden construction as part of the District's office building addition. The quotes also include screening trees to the north of parcel near the outdoor learning area which will be part of the phase 3 of the continued landscaping restoration that will be undertaken in 2021.

While the District solicited quotes from five contractors, we only received one quote by the June 12, 2020 deadline. The received quote was from for \$58,504.34, which is roughly 49% over the engineers estimate (\$39,248) for the project.

The engineer's estimate was based on the last several years of similar BMP construction and landscaping projects in other watershed districts.

It is staff's recommendation that the quote be rejected. Staff are continuing to discuss next steps to ensure an appropriate value for the construction of the project, including the option of re-issuing the RFQ this fall or next spring. Staff will have additional information for discussion at an upcoming board meeting.

Recommendation

It is recommended that the Board of Managers reject the quote that came in for the project.