## WALTER P MOORE

October 4, 2018

Mr. Curtis J. Cassidy, P.E., CFM Assistant City Engineer | Engineering Division City of Mesquite 1515 N Galloway Ave Mesquite, Texas 75149

Re: Dunford School Erosion Control Project – Mesquite, Texas City of Mesquite City Contract No. 2018-004 Walter P. Moore and Associates Project Number C04-17009-00

Dear Mr. Cassidy:

We have reviewed the final bid from each contractor for the above referenced project. There are five bids ranging from \$89,660.00 to \$140,229.00, and the low bidder is DCI Contracting Inc. (DCI). The DCI bid is higher than our opinion of probable construction cost (OPCC) (\$77,220.00). Our OPCC was based on historical data from our past design projects. The only item we did not have abundant historical data on was Item 107 – Armored Erosion Mat with Seeding. Item 107 was the only item where our estimate was higher than the DCI bid. All other items and the overall bid was higher than our OPCC. This may be explained by the very busy construction market we are in at this time, resulting in generally higher costs than our historical values represent.

DCI	308	Stoic Civil	Iron	RLM EarthCo
Contracting	Construction	Construction	Construction	
Inc.	LLC	Inc.	Inc.	
\$89,660.00	\$91,225.00	\$104,075.00	\$108,000.00	\$140,299.00

DCl then provided 11 references. We were able to contact five of the references. Three TxDOT employees claimed to have had a positive experience with them. Also, a project manager from an architecture firm touted their ability and quality control. A City of Denton reference did not have a positive experience, but admitted that the project type was very different. Therefore we recommend the approval of DCl as project contractor.

Sincerely,

WALTER P. MOORE AND ASSOCIATES, INC. Ernest L. Fields, P.E. Principal

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