



April 7, 2026

Mayor Johnny Magee  
City of Laurel  
Post Office Box 647  
Laurel, Mississippi 39440

REFERENCE: 12<sup>th</sup> STREET IMPROVEMENTS  
STP-9409-00(001)LPA / 109424-701000  
CITY OF LAUREL – JONES COUNTY, MISSISSIPPI

Dear Mayor:

Four bids were received, opened, and read at the bid opening on Tuesday, March 24<sup>th</sup>, 2026 for the above referenced project. Neel-Schaffer has reviewed the bid proposals and attached a certified bid tabulation which summarizes the review. The bids received appear to be in order. Upon review and tabulation of the bids received and opened, the bid of R & J Construction, Inc. in the amount of \$3,244,044.91 was determined to be the apparent low bid.

Neel-Schaffer therefore recommends that the City review and consider the bid submitted by R & J Construction, Inc. and award the project, subject to the concurrence of the Mississippi Department of Transportation (MDOT), to the lowest and best bidder.

If you have any questions or need additional information, please contact me.

Sincerely,

NEEL-SCHAFFER, INC.

Jonathan G. Keith, PE  
Project Engineer

Enclosures

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