Design /Build or Innovation and Quality at the Lowest Cost

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- Design process to analyze and solve problem(s) that results in a plan for construction.
- Build Application of the plan resulting in a structure or structures.
- Engineer's Goal: "...to design the most cost effective structure to solve the problem with the given resources." Prof. Peller-Dean of Engineering Valparaiso University

- Why use design/build?
 - -Lower owner costs,
 - -Equal or higher levels of construction quality,
 - -Longer Warranty Period.



Minnesota Projects

- TH 14
 - 50% PCC Westbound lanes
 - -50% HMA Eastbound lanes
- TH 52
 - -PCC travel lanes and some shoulders
 - HMA ramps, frontage roads, shoulders and temporary pavements

Simularities between projects:

- 30% Concept design by DOT including
 - -Pavement design
 - Pavement specifications
- 70% Finished design and drawings by contractor

Differences:

- TH 14
 - -\$60MM
 - one bridge
- TH 52
 - -\$240MM
 - -20 bridges
 - Technical Review and score

Proposal Evaluation Scoring

- each proposal was given a technical score
- bid price was divided by technical score to determine low bid.

Proposal Evaluation Scoring

- 15 person Technical Review Committee
- Scoring Categories
 - -40% Project Management
 - -30% Project Approach and Understanding
 - -25% Project schedule
 - 5% Alternate Technical Concepts and innovation



40% Project Management -10 categories

- Quality procedures-compliance with DOT Spec
- Proposer Organization-how will handle problems
- Management Experience-previous project performance
- Safety and Health Plan and Record-compliance history
- Partnering Approach-communication with DOT, Railroads and Utilities

40% Project Management -10 categories

- Public Involvement and Community Outreachhow will the proposer keep the community happy
- Cost control-how will track costs
- Claims Adjustment-how will the design-builder's finish on time
- Management Strategies and Collocation-keeping staff on track during project
- Integration of Subcontracors and Third Parties-

30% Project Understanding-11 categories

- Understanding the project-coordination between all
- Roadway Geometry and Earthwork Plan-LCCA
- Geotechnical Considerations-plan for investigation and monitoring of vibration, pore-pressure, settlements, etc.
- Environmental Permitting and Mitigation of Water Quality and Floodplains-just how do you plan to keep DNR, EPA and environmentalist groups happy?
- Hazardous Materials Management-see above

- 30% Project Understanding-11 categories
- Aesthethics and Landscaping
- Utilities-relocation design and construction
- Construction Staging-plan for maximizing construction with flexible acquisition schedule
- Drainage-just how do you plan to keep DNR, EPA and environmentalist groups happy and get the appropriate permits?
- Bridges and Structures-how will the bridges, retaining walls, noise barriers be designed using LCCA
- Maintenance of Traffic-minimize traffic delays

- 25% Project Scheduling-3 categories
- Procedures for Tracking Progress
- "Meeting (and Advance Completion of) Completion Dates-Approach to insure project completion which meets or exceeds DOT goals."
- Incorporation of Schedule of Values into Schedule-how will costs be tracked daily?

- 5% Alternate Technical Concepts and Innovation (or value added engineering)for items not related to pavement design:
- improved long term maintenance
- improved safety and design
- Other innovations

HMA Warranty

- cracking
- debonding
- raveling
- flushing
- rutting
- popouts

PCC Warranty

- cracking
- joint deficiences
- delamination
- surface defects
 - shattered slab
 - scaling
 - popouts

Th 52 Design/Build • Up to 5 years Warranties

- - -1 year for grass
 - 5 years for HMA and PCC
- Agency monitors performance
- Remedy is specified (e.g. Mill & Overlay)



The Bidding Results:

- Low bidder had highest technical score and lowest unadjusted bid price.
- 2nd place had the 3rd place technical score and unadjusted bid price.
- Last place had the 2nd lowest bid and 4th place technical score.

Design/Build-Suggestions

- Agency can clearly define minimum quality
- Value Engineering efforts are significant
- Agency understands total life cycle costs
- Warranty Provider has innovative solutions



Long Term Pavement Performance

Extended Life



Design/Build-suggestions

- Warranty Provider detects/selects/does repairs
- Repairs are subject to Quality Measures
- Avoid Prescriptive Repairs why?
 - -Freezes Technology





- Clear Expectations of Performance
- Best Quality for Best Cost if Innovation is allowed.
- Warranties based on performance encourage innovation.



- Adding 1 year of life =8% decrease in costs
- assuming \$100MM/yr
- savings \$8MM/yr

