



May 13, 2026

City of Crete
Attn: Tom Ourada, City Administrator
243 East 13th Street
Crete, Nebraska 68333

RE: Crete Municipal Airport
Crete, Nebraska
AIP Project No. 3-31-0022-017/018/019/020
Olsson No. 024-03141
Revised Contract Award

Mr. Ourada,

On March 26, 2026, four bids were opened for this project. The bidders and their bid amounts are listed below and on the attached bid tabulation.

	Casper Construction Co. Beatrice, NE	B-D Construction, Inc. Columbus, NE	Hackel Construction Ord, NE	Screed Tech Fairbury, NE	Engineer's Estimate
Base Bid	\$1,121,790.63	* \$1,549,042.50	* \$1,610,966.46	* \$1,624,742.60	\$1,450,000
Alternate Bid	\$20,023.50	\$35,000.00	\$27,121.00	\$35,000.00	\$50,000
Total Bid	\$1,141,814.13	\$1,584,042.50	\$1,638,087.46	\$1,659,742.60	\$1,500,000

On April 2, 2026 Olsson provided the bid recommendation to award the project to Caspers Construction Co. based upon the review of the bid proposals provided. At that point, discussions with the contractor indicated the company intended to move forward with their proposal and award of the contract. The City of Crete was in the process of awarding the contract to Casper's Construction when they received a formal request to withdraw Casper's bid proposal. A copy of the letter dated May 5, 2026 is attached.

The bidding process for this project included a bid guarantee of 5%. The following statement is listed within the proposal and was acknowledged by Casper's with their proposal.

- c. As evidence of good faith in submitting this proposal, the undersigned encloses a bid guaranty in the form of a bid bond or certified check in the amount of 5% of the total amount of the bid. The BIDDER acknowledges and accepts that refusal or failure to accept award and execute a contract within the terms and conditions established herein will result in forfeiture of the bid guaranty to the owner as a liquidated damage.

With the request for the withdrawal of the bid proposal, Caspers Construction Co. failed to accept the award and execution of contracts for the associated project. Therefore, the Bid Guarantee will result in the forfeiture of the 5% bid guarantee to the owner as liquidated damages. FAA has indicated the Bid Bond shall be a credit in the grant costs for the project.

Please disregard the prior award letter as this revised contract award letter will serve as the official bid recommendation for the 2-Bay Box Hangar project.

In review of the remaining bidders, errors in calculation are noted on the bid tabulation. Olsson calculated the total bid amounts shown by multiplying the unit prices and estimated quantities, then totaling the results. There were no errors in calculation in the low bidder's proposal.

B-D Construction Inc. of Columbus, Nebraska is the low bidder. Their bid amount was 6% higher than the engineer's estimate for the base + alternate bid.

B-D Construction Inc. provided a 5% bid bond as a bid guaranty in accordance with the contract documents.

B-D Construction Inc. met the Bidder Qualification requirements set forth in the Notice to bidders. The contractor has previously completed airfield hangars in Nebraska on Olsson projects and provided a satisfactory project meeting the plans and specifications.

All bidders acknowledged Addendums No. 1, 2, 3 and 4.

The project included a DBE Goal of 0.0% and B-D Construction Inc. meets the requirements as set forth in the project manual and bid requirements.

B-D Construction Inc. indicated compliance with the Buy American Certification with no waiver requested.

The low bidder was not found on the Debarred Prime or Subcontractors List, found at: www.sam.gov

A list of subcontractors was included in the bid proposal and no concerns with the proposed subcontractor's indicated.

Olsson has thoroughly evaluated the bids and has determined B-D Construction Inc. to be responsive and responsible, and that the contract price is considered fair and reasonable.

It is recommended that the City of Crete thoroughly reviews the bid, and if the City of Crete concurs and finds B-D Construction Inc. to be responsive and responsible; consider the contract price to be fair and reasonable, award the contract to B-D Construction Inc. of Columbus, Nebraska upon FAA and NDOT concurrence.

The following items are enclosed:

1. Bid tabulation with engineer's estimate
2. Low bidder's complete proposal form, which includes:
 - a. Buy American Certification Form
 - b. DBE Utilization Statement
 - c. DBE Letter of Intent – N/A
 - d. DBE Certificate from NDOT
3. Plan Holder's List

Please advise when the contract documents can be issued.

Sincerely,



Chris Corr, P.E. (Project Engineer)

cc: Anna Lannin (NDOT), Steve Whitton (FAA)