


VILLAGE OF LOMBARD
REQUEST FOR BOARD OF TRUSTEES ACTION
For Inclusion on Board Agenda
Bids and Proposals

TO : President and Village Board of Trustees

FROM : Scott Niehaus, Village Manager

DATE : November 24, 2025 Agenda Date: December 4, 2025

TITLE : Waiver of Bids – John Neri Construction Company
2025 Emergency Sewer Repairs

SUBMITTED BY: Brian Jack, Utilities Superintendent 

RESULTS:

Date Bids Were Published	_____	Bidding Closed	_____
Total Number of Bids Received	_____		
Total Number of Bidders Meeting Specifications	_____		
Bid Security Required	_____ Yes _____ No		
Performance Bond Required	_____ Yes _____ No		
Were Any Bids Withdrawn	_____ Yes _____ No		
Explanation:			
Waiver of Bids Requested?	_____ X _____ Yes _____ No		
If yes, explain:			
Award Recommended to Lowest Responsible Bidder?	_____ Yes _____ No		
If no, explain:			

FISCAL IMPACT:

Engineer's Estimate/Budget Estimate \$50,000.00

Amount of Award \$28,726.73 RM PROG 10 Sewer Improvements and Repairs
Account # 520.790.715.75420

BACKGROUND/RECOMMENDATION:

Waive bids and award contract for sewer rodding services for an amount not to exceed \$28,726.73 to John Neri Construction Company of Addison, IL

Has Recommended Bidder Worked for Village Previously	X _____ Yes _____ No
If yes, was quality of work acceptable	X _____ Yes _____ No

REVIEW (as needed):

Village Attorney XX _____	Date _____
Finance Director XX _____	Date _____
Village Manager XX _____	Date _____

NOTE: All materials must be submitted to and approved by the Village Manager's Office by 12:00 noon, Wednesday, prior to the Board Agenda distribution.

MEMORANDUM



To: Scott Niehaus, Village Manager
From: Brian Jack, Utilities Superintendent
Through: Carl Goldsmith, Director of Public Works
Date: November 24, 2025
Subject: **Waiver of Bids - 2025 Emergency Water & Sewer Repairs**
John Neri Construction Company

Background

The Village's Trenching and Excavation Policy states that Village crews will not enter trenches or excavations deeper than ten feet. Digs that are of an emergency nature or too deep for the Village equipment to safely excavate are generally completed by a contractor. John Neri Construction Company of Addison, IL, has worked for the Village in the past, responding in an expedient manner, and has always performed satisfactorily. The number of repairs performed by the contractor varies from year to year depending on need.

Funds for sewer repairs are budgeted in the Water and Sewer Capital Reserve Fund under Sewer Maintenance & Improvements RM PROG 10 with funds for water repairs budgeted in the Water and Sewer Capital Reserve Fund under Water Maintenance & Improvements RM PROG 32. These types of repairs are based on a time and material basis using a standard IDOT format. Labor rates are based on respective negotiated union contracts in the construction trade and are consistent across local contractors.

Generally, the Utilities Group spends an average of \$50,000 - \$60,000 annually (excluding 2023 and 2025) on these types of repairs and will vary depending on emergency repairs needed. The chart below is the expenditures for these emergency repairs.

Year	Sewer Repairs	Water Repairs	Total
2020	\$10,576.58	\$10,801.29	\$21,377.87
2021	\$43,875.47	\$15,532.50	\$59,407.97
2022	\$62,949.91	\$0.00	\$62,949.91
2023	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
2024	\$53,812.47	\$0.00	\$52,812.47
2025*	\$120,176.56	\$35,570.56	\$155,747.12

2025 Includes two invoices of \$21,325.00 (an RFP was issued for this repair) and \$7,401.73 (emergency sewer collapse repair) that have not yet been paid out. John Neri Construction Company has been the Village's emergency repair contractor for several years and continues to provide fast reliable response to repair requests and does

excellent work. They also have been awarded numerous Water and Sewer Capital Improvement projects over the years and have a long-standing relationship with the Village.

Recommendations

Please present this request for a waiver of bids and award in the amount of \$28,726.73 to John Neri Construction Company of Addison, IL, for emergency sewer repairs for approval by the Board of Trustees at their December 4, 2025 meeting.