

CITY OF SOUTH BEND, INDIANA
CONTRACTOR'S BID FOR PUBLIC WORK

Project Name 1335 Portage Avenue and 1302 Elwood Avenue – Site Demolition
Project No. 124-065B
For Bids Due Tuesday, January 27, 2026

PART I

(Must be completed for all bids. Please type or print)

Date: 1/27/2026 Bidder (Firm): Ritschard Bros., Inc.
Address: 1204 W. Sample Street
City/State/Zip: South Bend, IN 46619 Telephone Number: (574) 288-4777
Email Address: rit1204@datacruz.com

Agent of Bidder (if Applicable): _____
Pursuant to notices given, the undersigned offers to furnish labor and/or material necessary to complete the public works project of:

1335 Portage Avenue and 1302 Elwood Avenue - Site Demolition, Project No. 124-065B

the City of South Bend, Indiana, in accordance with plans and specifications prepared by:

Abonmarche Consultants, Inc.

and dated 12/15/2025 for the sum of (enter the Total Bid as shown on the Proposal)

One Million Eighty-one Thousand Four Hundred Sixty-seven----(\$1,081,467.00)
(Enter sum of Total Base Bid plus Alternates shown on Proposal) (Numerical)

The undersigned further agrees to furnish a bond or certified check with this bid for an amount specified in the notice of the letting. If alternative bids apply, the undersigned submits a proposal for each in accordance with the notice. Any addendums attached will be specifically referenced at the applicable page. If additional units of material included in the contract are needed, the cost of units must be the same as that shown in the original contract if accepted by the City of South Bend. If the bid is to be awarded on a unit basis, the itemization of the units shall be shown on a separate attachment.

By Rachelle L. Dolniak
(Signature)
Rachelle L. Dolniak, President
(Printed Name of Person Signing)

ACCEPTANCE

The above bid is accepted this _____ day of _____ 20 _____

Subject to the following conditions: _____

BOARD OF PUBLIC WORKS

President



**BID/PROPOSAL
CITY OF SOUTH BEND**

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Contractor Name: Ritschard Bros., Inc.

BASE BID

Item No.	Description	Quantity	Unit	Unit Price	Total Amount
1	Mobilization and Demobilization	1	LS	10,000.00	10,000.00
2	Maintenance of Traffic	1	LS	5,000.00	5,000.00
3	Temporary Erosion Control	1	LS	11,000.00	11,000.00
4	Borrow	3000	CYD	22.00	66,000.00
5	Demolition	1	LS	723,655.00	723,655.00
6	Temporary Fence	3,081	LFT	10.00	30,810.00
7	Fence, Chain Link	894 ⁷⁰⁰	LFT	29.50	20,650.00
8	Surface Restoration	1	LS	191,812.00	191,812.00
9	Turf Reinforcement Mat	95	SYD	52.00	4,940.00
10	Bollard	22	EA	800.00	17,600.00

BASE BID TOTAL \$1,081,467.00

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By Rachelle L. Dolniak
(Signature)

Rachelle L. Dolniak, President
(Printed Name of Person Signing)

When the prospective Contractor is unable to certify to any of the statements below, it shall attach an explanation to this Affidavit.

CONTRACTOR'S NON-COLLUSION AND NON-DEBARMENT AFFIDAVIT, CERTIFICATION REGARDING INVESTMENT WITH IRAN, EMPLOYMENT ELIGIBILITY VERIFICATION, NON-DISCRIMINATION COMMITMENT AND CERTIFICATION OF USE OF UNITED STATES STEEL PRODUCTS OR FOUNDRY PRODUCTS

(Must be completed for all quotes and bids. Please type or print)

STATE OF Indiana)
) SS:
St. Joseph COUNTY)

The undersigned Contractor, being duly sworn upon his/her/its oath, affirms under the penalties of perjury that:

1. Contractor has not, nor has any other member, representative, or agent of the firm, company, corporation or partnership represented by him, entered into any combination, collusion or agreement with any person relative to the price to be bid by anyone at such letting nor to prevent any person from bidding nor to induce anyone to refrain from bidding, and that this bid is made without reference to any other bid and without any agreement, understanding or combination with any other person in reference to such bidding. Contractor further says that no person or persons, firms, or corporation has, have or will receive directly or indirectly, any rebate, fee, gift, commission or thing of value on account of such sale; and
2. Contractor certifies by submission of this proposal that neither contractor nor any of its principals are presently debarred, suspended, proposed for debarment, declared ineligible, or voluntarily excluded from participation in this transaction by any Federal department or agency; and
3. Contractor has not, nor has any successor to, nor an affiliate of, Contractor, engaged in investment activities in Iran.
 - a. For purposes of this Certification, "Iran" means the government of Iran and any agency or instrumentality of Iran, or as otherwise defined at Ind. Code § 5-22-16.5-5, as amended from time-to-time.
 - b. As provided by Ind. Code § 5-22-16.5-8, as amended from time-to-time, a Contractor is engaged in investment activities in Iran if either:
 - i. Contractor, its successor or its affiliate, provides goods or services of twenty million dollars (\$20,000,000) or more in value in the energy sector of Iran; or
 - ii. Contractor, its successor or its affiliate, is a financial institution that extends twenty million dollars (\$20,000,000) or more in credit to another person for forty-five (45) days or more, if that person will (i) use the credit to provides goods and services in the energy sector in Iran; and (ii) at the time the financial institution extends credit, is a person identified on list published by the Indiana Department of Administration.
4. Contractor does not knowingly employ or contract with an unauthorized alien, nor retain any employee or contract with a person that the Contractor subsequently learns is an unauthorized alien.

Contractor agrees that he/she/it shall enroll in and verify the work eligibility status of all of Contractor's newly hired employees through the E-Verify Program as defined by I.C. 22-5-1.7-3. Contractor's documentation of enrollment and participation in the E-Verify Program is included and attached as part of this bid/quote; and

5. Contractor shall require his/her/its subcontractors performing work under this public contract to certify that the subcontractors do not knowingly employ or contract with an unauthorized alien, nor retain any employee or contract with a person that the subcontractor subsequently learns is an unauthorized alien, and that the subcontractor has enrolled in and is participating in the E-Verify Program. The Contractor agrees to maintain this certification throughout the term of the contract with the City of South Bend, and understands that the City may terminate the contract for default if the Contractor fails to cure a breach of this provision no later than thirty (30) days after being notified by the City.

6. Persons, firms, partnerships, corporations, associations, or joint venturers awarded a contract by the City of South Bend through its agencies, boards, or commissions shall not discriminate against any employee or applicant for employment in the performance of a City contract with respect to hire, tenure, terms, conditions, or privileges of contract or employment, or any matter directly or indirectly related to contracting or employment because of race, sex, religion, color, national origin, ancestry, gender expression, gender identity, sexual orientation, or due to age or disability that does not affect that person's ability to perform the work.

In awarding contracts for the purchase of work, labor, services, supplies, equipment, materials, or any combination of the foregoing including, but not limited to, public works contracts awarded under public bidding laws or other contracts in which public bids are not required by law, the City, its agencies, boards, or commissions will consider the Contractor's good faith efforts to obtain participation by those subcontractors certified by the State of Indiana as a Minority Business ("MBE") or as a Women's Business Enterprise ("WBE") as a factor in determining the lowest, responsible, responsive bidder.

Contractors seeking the award of a City contract cannot be required to award a subcontract to an MWBE; however, they may not unlawfully discriminate against said MBE/WBE. On goal-eligible contracts, Contractors are required to either meet both MBE and WBE utilization goals or demonstrate that the Contractor has made good faith efforts to obtain participation from MBE and WBE subcontractors. A finding of noncompliance or a discriminatory practice shall prohibit that Contractor from being awarded a City contract for a period of one (1) year from the date of such determination, and such determination may also be grounds for terminating the contract to which the discriminatory practice or noncompliance pertains.

7. The undersigned Contractor agrees that the following nondiscrimination commitment shall be made a part of any contract which it may henceforth enter into with the City of South Bend, Indiana or any of its agencies, boards or commissions.

Contractor agrees not to discriminate against or intimidate any employee or applicant for employment in the performance of this contract with privileges of employment, or any matter directly or indirectly related to employment, because of race, religion, color, sex, gender expression, gender identity, sexual orientation, handicap, national origin or ancestry. Breach of this provision may be regarded as material breach of contract.

I, the undersigned bidder or agent as contractor on a public works project, understand my statutory obligations to the use of steel products or foundry products made in the United States (I.C. 5-16-8-1). I hereby certify that I and all subcontractors employed by me for this project will use steel products or foundry products made in the United States on this project if awarded. I understand I have an affirmative duty to notify the City in my bid that my proposal does not include the use of steel products or foundry products made in the United States. I understand it is my sole obligation and responsibility to provide a justification to the City, subject to review and approval, why the cost of United States made steel or foundry products is unreasonable. Prior to award and upon submission of bid which does not use steel products or foundry products made in the United States, the City, through its director of public works, shall make a determination if the price of United States made steel or foundry is unreasonable. I understand that violations hereunder

may result in forfeiture of contractual payments.

I hereby affirm under the penalties of perjury that the facts and information contained in the foregoing bid for public works are true and correct.

Dated this 27th day of Jan., 2026

Ritschard Bros., Inc.

Contractor/Bidder (Firm)

Rachelle L. Dolniak

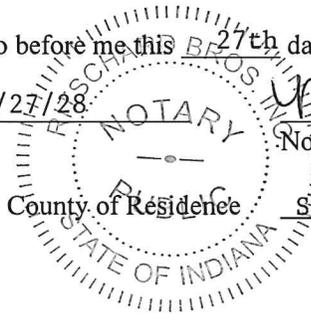
Signature of Contractor/Bidder or Its Agent

Rachelle L. Dolniak, President

Printed Name and Title

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 27th day of January, 2026

My Commission Expires 2/27/28



Michael Ritschard

Notary Public

St. Joseph

CNA SURETY

Bid Bond

Bond No. _____

CONTRACTOR:

(Name, legal status and address)

Ritschard Bros., Inc.
1204 W. Sample Street
South Bend, IN 46619

SURETY: Western Surety Company: South Dakota Corporation

(Name, legal status and principal place of business)

151 N. Franklin Street
17th Floor
Chicago, IL 60606

This document has important legal consequences. Consultation with an attorney is encouraged with respect to its completion or modification.

Any singular reference to Contractor, Surety, Owner or other party shall be considered plural where applicable.

OWNER:

(Name, legal status and address)

City of South Bend, Indiana
Board of Public Works
1316 County-City Building
227 W. Jefferson Blvd
South Bend, IN 46601

BOND AMOUNT: Five percent (5%) of accompanying bid

PROJECT:

(Name, location or address, and Project number, if any)

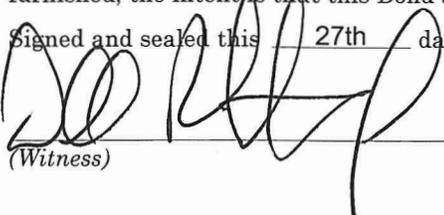
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Project No. 124-065B

The Contractor and Surety are bound to the Owner in the amount set forth above, for the payment of which the Contractor and Surety bind themselves, their heirs, executors, administrators, successors and assigns, jointly and severally, as provided herein. The conditions of this Bond are such that if the Owner accepts the bid of the Contractor within the time specified in the bid documents, or within such time period as may be agreed to by the Owner and Contractor, and the Contractor either (1) enters into a contract with the Owner in accordance with the terms of such bid, and gives such bond or bonds as may be specified in the bidding or Contract Documents, with a surety admitted in the jurisdiction of the Project and otherwise acceptable to the Owner, for the faithful performance of such Contract and for the prompt payment of labor and material furnished in the prosecution thereof; or (2) pays to the Owner the difference, not to exceed the amount of this Bond, between the amount specified in said bid and such larger amount for which the Owner may in good faith contract with another party to perform the work covered by said bid, then this obligation shall be null and void, otherwise to remain in full force and effect. The Surety hereby waives any notice of an agreement between the Owner and Contractor to extend the time in which the Owner may accept the bid. Waiver of notice by the Surety shall not apply to any extension exceeding sixty (60) days in the aggregate beyond the time for acceptance of bids specified in the bid documents, and the Owner and Contractor shall obtain the Surety's consent for an extension beyond sixty (60) days.

If this Bond is issued in connection with a subcontractor's bid to a Contractor, the term Contractor in this Bond shall be deemed to be Subcontractor and the term Owner shall be deemed to be Contractor.

When this Bond has been furnished to comply with a statutory or other legal requirement in the location of the Project, any provision in this Bond conflicting with said statutory or legal requirement shall be deemed deleted herefrom and provisions conforming to such statutory or other legal requirement shall be deemed incorporated herein. When so furnished, the intent is that this Bond shall be construed as a statutory bond and not as a common law bond.

Signed and sealed this 27th day of January, 2026.

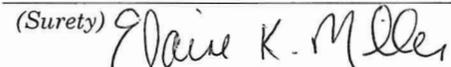

(Witness)

Ritschard Bros., Inc.

(Principal)  (Seal)

(Title) Rachelle L. Dolniak, President

Western Surety Company

(Surety)  (Seal)

(Title) Elaine K. Miller, Attorney-in-Fact


(Witness)

Western Surety Company

POWER OF ATTORNEY APPOINTING INDIVIDUAL ATTORNEY-IN-FACT

Know All Men By These Presents, That WESTERN SURETY COMPANY, a South Dakota corporation, is a duly organized and existing corporation having its principal office in the City of Sioux Falls, and State of South Dakota, and that it does by virtue of the signature and seal herein affixed hereby make, constitute and appoint

Thomas J Mc Govern, Elaine K Miller, Jada M Karst, Thomas J Van Dyck, Tracie M McBride, Stephanie Kowalski, Laura L Diver, Susan Becker, Andrew Hyndman, Catherine Coddington, Individually

of Fort Wayne, IN, its true and lawful Attorney(s)-in-Fact with full power and authority hereby conferred to sign, seal and execute for and on its behalf bonds, undertakings and other obligatory instruments of similar nature

- In Unlimited Amounts -

and to bind it thereby as fully and to the same extent as if such instruments were signed by a duly authorized officer of the corporation and all the acts of said Attorney, pursuant to the authority hereby given, are hereby ratified and confirmed.

This Power of Attorney is made and executed pursuant to and by authority of the Authorizing By-Laws and Resolutions printed at the bottom of this page, duly adopted, as indicated, by the shareholders of the corporation.

In Witness Whereof, WESTERN SURETY COMPANY has caused these presents to be signed by its Vice President and its corporate seal to be hereto affixed on this 14th day of October, 2024.



WESTERN SURETY COMPANY

Larry Kasten

Larry Kasten, Vice President

State of South Dakota }
County of Minnehaha } ss

On this 14th day of October, 2024, before me personally came Larry Kasten, to me known, who, being by me duly sworn, did depose and say: that he resides in the City of Sioux Falls, State of South Dakota; that he is a Vice President of WESTERN SURETY COMPANY described in and which executed the above instrument; that he knows the seal of said corporation; that the seal affixed to the said instrument is such corporate seal; that it was so affixed pursuant to authority given by the Board of Directors of said corporation and that he signed his name thereto pursuant to like authority, and acknowledges same to be the act and deed of said corporation.

My commission expires
March 2, 2026



M. Bent

M. Bent, Notary Public

CERTIFICATE

I, Paula Kolsrud, Assistant Secretary of WESTERN SURETY COMPANY do hereby certify that the Power of Attorney hereinabove set forth is still in force, and further certify that the By-Law and Resolutions of the corporation printed below this certificate are still in force. In testimony whereof I have hereunto subscribed my name and affixed the seal of the said corporation this 27th day of January, 2026.



WESTERN SURETY COMPANY

Paula Kolsrud

Paula Kolsrud, Assistant Secretary

Authorizing By-Laws and Resolutions

ADOPTED BY THE SHAREHOLDERS OF WESTERN SURETY COMPANY

This Power of Attorney is made and executed pursuant to and by authority of the following By-Law duly adopted by the shareholders of the Company.

Section 7. All bonds, policies, undertakings, Powers of Attorney, or other obligations of the corporation shall be executed in the corporate name of the Company by the President, Secretary, and Assistant Secretary, Treasurer, or any Vice President, or by such other officers as the Board of Directors may authorize. The President, any Vice President, Secretary, any Assistant Secretary, or the Treasurer may appoint Attorneys in Fact or agents who shall have authority to issue bonds, policies, or undertakings in the name of the Company. The corporate seal is not necessary for the validity of any bonds, policies, undertakings, Powers of Attorney or other obligations of the corporation. The signature of any such officer and the corporate seal may be printed by facsimile.

This Power of Attorney is signed by Larry Kasten, Vice President, who has been authorized pursuant to the above Bylaw to execute power of attorneys on behalf of Western Surety Company.

This Power of Attorney may be signed by digital signature and sealed by a digital or otherwise electronic-formatted corporate seal under and by the authority of the following Resolution adopted by the Board of Directors of the Company by unanimous written consent dated the 27th day of April, 2022:

“RESOLVED: That it is in the best interest of the Company to periodically ratify and confirm any corporate documents signed by digital signatures and to ratify and confirm the use of a digital or otherwise electronic-formatted corporate seal, each to be considered the act and deed of the Company.”

Go to www.cnasurety.com > Owner / Obligee Services > Validate Bond Coverage, if you want to verify bond authenticity.



1316 COUNTY-CITY BUILDING
227 W. JEFFERSON BOULEVARD
SOUTH BEND, INDIANA 46601-1830

PHONE 574/ 235-9251
FAX 574/ 235-9171
TDD 574/ 235-5567

CITY OF SOUTH BEND JAMES MUELLER, MAYOR
BOARD OF PUBLIC WORKS

Date: January 20, 2026
To: All Bidders
From: Hillary R. Horvath, Clerk, Board of Public Works
Subject: Addendum Number: 1
Project Name: 1335 Portage Avenue and 1302 Elwood Avenue Site Demolition
Project
Number: 124-065B

ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF RECEIPT OF ADDENDUM

Date Received: 1/23/26

This addendum is being forwarded to you for the above referenced project.

Please sign below and acknowledge receipt of this Addendum by faxing this sheet to the Board of Public Works at (574) 235-9171. A copy MUST also be included with your bid package upon submittal.

THIS ADDENDUM MAY AFFECT YOUR BID.

Note:

The attached documents are hereby Add to the Specifications and Contract Documents and become a part of herein.

Company: Ritschard Bros., Inc.
Authorized Signature: Rachelle A. Dolniak
Date: 1/23/26



CITY OF SOUTH BEND, INDIANA
CONTRACTOR'S BID FOR PUBLIC WORK
CHECKLIST FOR BIDDERS

Project Name 1335 Portage Avenue and 1302 Elwood Avenue – Site Demolition

Project No. 124-065B

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From time to time the South Bend Board of Public Works finds it necessary to reject a bid because it does not comply with statutory requirements. In preparing your bid, please use the following checklist in order to make sure that your bid is done in the proper manner.

Proper bid security included. The bidder has the option of providing either a Certified Check or Bid Bond.

Bid prepared on the City of South Bend Contractor's Bid for Public Work Form, completely executed.

Contractor's Non-Collusion and Non-Debarment Affidavit, Certification Regarding Investments with Iran, Employment Eligibility Verification, Non-Discrimination Commitment, and Certification of use of United States Steel Products or Foundry Products.

Proof of M/WBE Utilization Plans [MBE-1.0 and WBE-1.0]. Also provide Evidence of Good Faith Efforts Forms [MBE-2.0 and WBE-2.0] and M/WBE Contacted Forms [MBE-2.1 and WBE-2.1].

Acknowledge Receipt of 1 Addendum(s) included with the bid.

All required additional information is included with the bid.

Proposal statements and other affidavits all signed by the proper party with name either printed or typed underneath signature.

This checklist submitted with the Bid.

This checklist is provided for bidder's use in assuring compliance with required documentation; however, it does not include all specifications requirements and does not relieve the bidder of the need to read and comply with the specifications.

Bidder: Ritschard Bros., Inc. Date: 1/27/2026

By Authorized Representative:

Signature:

Rachelle L. Dolniak

Print Name & Title: Rachelle L. Dolniak, President

Members

PART II

(For projects of \$100,000 or more – IC 36-1-12-4)

These statements to be submitted under oath by each bidder with and as part of his/her/its bid.

Attach additional pages for each section as needed.

SECTION I EXPERIENCE QUESTIONNAIRE

1. Attach information regarding projects your organization has completed for the period of one (1) year prior to the date of the current bid.
2. Attach a listing of public works projects currently in process of construction by your organization.
3. Attach information regarding any failure to complete any work awarded to you and the location thereof.
4. Attach references from private firms for which you have performed work.

SECTION II PLAN AND EQUIPMENT QUESTIONNAIRE

1. Attach an explanation of your plan or layout for performing proposed work. (Examples could include a narrative of when you could begin work, complete the project, number of workers, etc. and any other information which you believe would enable the City of South Bend to consider your bid.)
2. Attach a listing of the names and addresses of all subcontractors (i.e. persons or firms outside your own firm who have performed part of the work) that you have used on public works projects during the past five (5) years along with a brief description of the work done by each subcontractor.
3. If you intend to sublet any portion of the work, attach the name and address of each subcontractor, equipment to be used by the subcontractor, and whether you will require a bond. However, if you are unable to currently provide a listing, please understand a listing must be provided prior to contract approval. Until the completion of the proposed project, you are under a continuing obligation to immediately notify the City of South Bend in the event that you subsequently determine that you will use a subcontractor on the proposed project.
4. Attach a listing of equipment you have available to use for the proposed project.
5. Have you entered into contracts or received offers for all materials which substantiate the prices used in preparing your proposal? If not, attach an explanation for the rationale used which would corroborate the prices listed.

SECTION III CONTRACTOR'S FINANCIAL STATEMENT

Attachment of bidder's financial statement is mandatory. Any bid submitted without said financial statement as required by statute shall thereby be rendered invalid. The financial statement provided hereunder to the City of South Bend awarding the contract must be specific

enough in detail so that said City of South Bend can make a proper determination of the bidder's capability for completing the project if awarded.

CITY OF SOUTH BEND
 MINORITY AND WOMEN BUSINESS ENTERPRISE INCLUSION PROGRAM PLAN
 FORM MBE-1.0
 MBE UTILIZATION PLAN



This completed form should be supplied with Bids that pertain to City of South Bend Public Works Projects involving MBE participation. It is the bidder's sole responsibility to verify whether any listed minority-owned business meets the MBE qualifications.
 Goals should be calculated based on the Base Bid only.

Project Number: 124-065B Project Name: Portage and Elwood Avenue – Site Demolition

Bidder: Ritschard Bros., Inc. Total Bid Amount: \$1,081,467.00 MBE Goal: 1.40%

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Name & Address of MBE	Primary Contact Person (Name/Telephone)	Scope of Work to be Performed (Attach scope/schedule if you need additional space)	Dollar Amount of MBE Component	Percentage of Total Bid/Proposal
1st Class Logistics 2213 St. Charles Ave South Bend, IN 46614	Bernard Coutee 574-993-0071	Trucking	\$54,000.00	5%

Submitted by: Rachelle L. Dolniak
 Print Name

Rachelle L. Dolniak
 Signature

1/27/2026
 Date

Goals should be calculated based on the Base Bid only.



**CITY OF SOUTH BEND
MINORITY AND WOMEN BUSINESS ENTERPRISE INCLUSION PROGRAM PLAN
FORM WBE-1.0
WBE UTILIZATION PLAN**

This completed form should be supplied with Bids that pertain to City of South Bend Public Works Projects involving WBE participation. It is the bidder's sole responsibility to verify whether any listed woman-owned business meets the WBE qualifications.

*****Goals should be calculated based on the Base Bid only.*****

Project Number: 124-065B Project Name: Portage and Elwood Avenue – Site Demolition

Bidder: Ritschard Bros., Inc. Total Bid Amount: \$1,081,467.00 WBE Goal: 4.70%

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Name & Address of WBE	Primary Contact Person (Name/Telephone)	Scope of Work to be Performed (Attach scope/schedule if you need additional space)	Dollar Amount of WBE Component	Percentage of Total Bid/Proposal
Ritschard Bros., Inc. 1204 W. Sample St. South Bend, IN 46619	Rachelle Dolniak 574-288-4777	Demolition of Buildings, pavements and light poles, grading and restoration	\$811,000.00	75%

Submitted by: Rachelle L. Dolniak
Print Name

Rachelle L. Dolniak
Signature

1/27/2026
Date

*****Goals should be calculated based on the Base Bid only.*****

**CITY OF SOUTH BEND
MINORITY AND WOMEN BUSINESS ENTERPRISE INCLUSION PROGRAM PLAN**



**FORM MBE-2.0
EVIDENCE OF GOOD FAITH EFFORTS**

This completed form should be included as part of the Bids documents related to City of South Bend Public Works Projects requiring Good Faith Efforts to obtain MBE participation.

Project Number: 124-065B Date: 1/27/2026
 Project Name: Portage and Elwood Avenue – Site Demolition
 Bidder: Ritschard Bros., Inc.
 Contact Person: Donald Ritschard, Jr. Telephone: 574-288-4777
 Address: 1204 W. Sample Street
 City: South Bend State: IN Zip: 46619
 Email: rit1204@datacruz.com

To determine whether a bidder has demonstrated good faith efforts to reach the MBE utilization goals set forth in the City of South Bend Public Works Project Specifications, the City and its agencies, boards, or commissions, **REQUIRE ALL** of the following Good Faith Efforts as listed in the table below*:

EVIDENCE OF GOOD FAITH EFFORTS	
MBE LIST(S): The bidder reviewed 1) the City of South Bend's Minority and Women Business Enterprise Inclusion Program Plan; 2) the list of certified MWBEs provided by the City; and 3) the Indiana Department of Administration list of Minority and Women Owned Businesses (both certified and non-certified) found at: http://www.in.gov/idoa/ .	
GOOD FAITH EFFORTS TO OBTAIN MBE PARTICIPATION	
The bidder shall initial each item below, as evidence of its good faith efforts to obtain MBE participation in the awarded contract.	
DJR	I affirm that I reviewed the City of South Bend's Minority and Women Business Enterprise Inclusion Program Plan and the Indiana Department of Administration's certified list of Indiana Minority and Women Business Enterprises, found on their website (http://www.in.gov/idoa/).
DJR	I affirm that I have made good faith efforts to select portions of the contract work to be performed by MWBEs, including, where appropriate, breaking out contract work items into economically feasible units to facilitate MBE participation.
DJR	I affirm that I have made good faith efforts to solicit through all reasonable and available means the interest of all MBEs in the scopes of work of the contract.
DJR	I affirm that I attended all pre-bid meetings scheduled by the City of South Bend to inform MBEs of contracting and subcontracting opportunities.
DJR	I affirm that I advertised in general circulation and/or trade association publications concerning subcontract opportunities and allowed MBEs reasonable time to respond to such advertisements.
DJR	I affirm that I performed any and all necessary steps to provide written notices in a manner reasonably calculated to inform MBEs of subcontracting opportunities and allowed sufficient time for MBEs to participate effectively.
DJR	I affirm that I followed up on initial solicitations with interested MBEs.
DJR	I affirm that I negotiated with interested MBEs in good faith, including providing such MBEs with adequate information about the plans, specifications and other requirements of the subcontract.
DJR	I affirm that I have made good faith efforts to assist interested MBEs in obtaining bonding, lines of credit, or insurance as required by the City or the bidder, where appropriate.

**CITY OF SOUTH BEND
MINORITY AND WOMEN BUSINESS ENTERPRISE INCLUSION PROGRAM PLAN**



**FORM MBE-2.0
EVIDENCE OF GOOD FAITH EFFORTS**

	DJS	I affirm that I have made good faith efforts to assist interested MBEs in obtaining necessary equipment, supplies, materials, or related assistances or services, where appropriate.
	DJS	I affirm that I did not reject any MBEs as unqualified without sound business reasons based on a thorough investigation of their capabilities.
<p>CONTRACT RECORDS: The bidder has maintained the following records for each MBE that has bid on the subcontracting opportunity:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Name, address, and telephone number; 2. A description of information provided by the bidder or subcontractor; and 3. A statement of whether an agreement was reached, and if not, why not, including any reasons for concluding that the MBE was unqualified to perform the job. 		

***Proper demonstration of Good Faith Efforts requires your initials next to all of the above boxes. Any omissions shall be considered grounds for rejection of the bid by the Board of Public Works. The City of South Bend reserves the right to request additional information.**

**CITY OF SOUTH BEND
MINORITY AND WOMEN BUSINESS ENTERPRISE INCLUSION PROGRAM PLAN**



**FORM WBE-2.0
EVIDENCE OF GOOD FAITH EFFORTS**

This completed form should be included as part of the Bids documents related to City of South Bend Public Works Projects requiring Good Faith Efforts to obtain MWBE participation.

Project Number: 124-065B Date: 1/27/2026
 Project Name: Portage and Elwood Avenue – Site Demolition
 Bidder: Ritschard Bros., Inc.
 Contact Person: Donald Ritschard, Jr. Telephone: 574-288-4777
 Address: 1204 W. Sample Street
 City: South Bend State: IN Zip: 46619
 Email: rit1204@datacruz.com

To determine whether a bidder has demonstrated good faith efforts to reach the WBE utilization goals set forth in the City of South Bend Public Works Project Specifications, the City and its agencies, boards, or commissions, **REQUIRE ALL** of the following Good Faith Efforts as listed in the table below*:

EVIDENCE OF GOOD FAITH EFFORTS	
<p>WBE LIST(S): The bidder reviewed 1) the City of South Bend’s Minority and Women Business Enterprise Inclusion Program Plan; 2) the list of certified MWBEs provided by the City; and 3) the Indiana Department of Administration list of Minority and Women Owned Businesses (both certified and non-certified) found at: http://www.in.gov/idoa/.</p>	
<p>GOOD FAITH EFFORTS TO OBTAIN WBE PARTICIPATION</p>	
<p>The bidder shall initial each item below, as evidence of its good faith efforts to obtain WBE participation in the awarded contract.</p>	
	<p>I affirm that I reviewed the City of South Bend’s Minority and Women Business Enterprise Inclusion Program Plan and the Indiana Department of Administration’s certified list of Indiana Minority and Women Business Enterprises, found on their website (http://www.in.gov/idoa/).</p>
	<p>I affirm that I have made good faith efforts to select portions of the contract work to be performed by WBEs, including, where appropriate, breaking out contract work items into economically feasible units to facilitate WBE participation.</p>
	<p>I affirm that I have made good faith efforts to solicit through all reasonable and available means the interest of all WBEs in the scopes of work of the contract.</p>
	<p>I affirm that I attended all pre-bid meetings scheduled by the City of South Bend to inform WBEs of contracting and subcontracting opportunities.</p>
	<p>I affirm that I advertised in general circulation and/or trade association publications concerning subcontract opportunities and allowed WBEs reasonable time to respond to such advertisements.</p>
	<p>I affirm that I performed any and all necessary steps to provide written notices in a manner reasonably calculated to inform WBEs of subcontracting opportunities and allowed sufficient time for WBEs to participate effectively.</p>
	<p>I affirm that I followed up on initial solicitations with interested WBEs.</p>
	<p>I affirm that I negotiated with interested WBEs in good faith, including providing such WBEs with adequate information about the plans, specifications and other requirements of the subcontract.</p>
	<p>I affirm that I have made good faith efforts to assist interested WBEs in obtaining bonding, lines of credit, or insurance as required by the City or the bidder, where appropriate.</p>

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		<p>I affirm that I have made good faith efforts to assist interested WBEs in obtaining necessary equipment, supplies, materials, or related assistances or services, where appropriate.</p>
		<p>I affirm that I did not reject any WBEs as unqualified without sound business reasons based on a thorough investigation of their capabilities.</p>
<p>CONTRACT RECORDS: The bidder has maintained the following records for each WBE that has bid on the subcontracting opportunity:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Name, address, and telephone number; 2. A description of information provided by the bidder or subcontractor; and 3. A statement of whether an agreement was reached, and if not, why not, including any reasons for concluding that the MWBE was unqualified to perform the job. 		

***Proper demonstration of Good Faith Efforts requires your initials next to all of the above boxes. Any omissions shall be considered grounds for rejection of the bid by the Board of Public Works. The City of South Bend reserves the right to request additional information.**

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FORM MBE-2.1
MBE CONTACTED

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Project Number: 124-065B MBE Participation Goal 1.40%

Project Name: Portage and Elwood Avenue – Site Demolition

Bidder Ritschard Bros., Inc.

By: Rachelle A. Dolnick President 1/27/2026
(Signature) (Title) (Date)

MBE Firm 1st Class Logistics LLC

Owner or Contact at MBE Firm Bernard Coutee

Telephone: 574-993-0071 Fax: _____ Email: 1stclasslogistics2013@gmail.com

TYPE OF WORK SOLICITED FOR THIS PROJECT: Trucking

RESULTS OF CONTACT WITH THE MBE FIRM:

Bernard provided a quote and we have included him in this project.

MBE Firm _____

Owner or Contact at MBE Firm _____

Telephone: _____ Fax: _____ Email: _____

TYPE OF WORK SOLICITED FOR THIS PROJECT: _____

RESULTS OF CONTACT WITH THE MBE FIRM:

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FORM MBE-2.1
WBE CONTACTED

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Project Number: 124-065B WBE Participation Goal 4.70%

Project Name: Portage and Elwood Avenue – Site Demolition

Bidder: Ritschard Bros., Inc.

By: Rachelle L. Dolniak President 1/27/2026
(Signature) (Title) (Date)

WBE Firm Ritschard Bros., Inc.

Owner or Contact at WBE Firm Rachelle L. Dolniak

Telephone: 574-288-4777 Fax: 574-288-5438 Email: rit1204@datacruz.com

TYPE OF WORK SOLICITED FOR THIS PROJECT:
Building Demolition, pavement removal, grading and restoration.

RESULTS OF CONTACT WITH THE WBE FIRM:

We will be doing the work listed above for this project.

WBE Firm _____

Owner or Contact at WBE Firm _____

Telephone: _____ Fax: _____ Email: _____

TYPE OF WORK SOLICITED FOR THIS PROJECT:

RESULTS OF CONTACT WITH THE WBE FIRM:



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January 26, 2026

Section I Experience Questionnaire

1. Completed Projects:

Contract Amount	Class of Work	Completion Date	Project Name and Owner
\$ 110,345.00	Trailer Demolitions	04/2024	SB Intl Airport
\$ 92,175.00	Church Demolition	08/2024	Town of New Carlisle
\$ 337,494.00	2023 Res. Demolitions	09/2024	City of South Bend
\$ 509,320.00	Demolition	11/2024	B-41846-A Sunnyside INDOT

2. Public Works Projects in Process:

Contract Amount	Class of Work	Project Name and Owner
\$ 270,559.00	2025 Res. Demolitions	City of South Bend
\$ 666,185.00	Earthwork/Utilities	Fillmore Road Water Tower Landmark Structures

3. None

4. References:

Gibson-Lewis, LLC / Justin Micola

Brown & Brown General Contractors, Inc. / Tim Morey

Weigand Construction, Inc. / Brian Blight

Ziolkowski Construction, Inc. / Adam Bradley



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January 27, 2026

1335 Portage Avenue and 1302 Elwood Avenue – Site Demolition
Project No. 124-065B

Section II Plan and Equipment Questionnaire

1. Install construction fencing. Demolish the buildings and clear the site. Grade the lot, install fence and bollards. Place topsoil and seed.

2. Fuerbringer Landscape and Design, Inc. Hydro-Seeding
1st Class Logistics LLC Trucking
Milestone Fence Fencing

3. Brown & Brown General Contractors, Inc. Install bollards
Milestone Fence Fencing
Acorn Landscaping Landscaping
1st Class Logistics LLC Trucking

4. See Enclosed Schedule of Owned Equipment.

5. Yes.



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FORM 96 (Revised 2005)

SECTION II Plan and Equipment Questionnaire

ITEM 3 – LIST OF OWNED EQUIPMENT

- 3 – Vibratory Compactors
- 3 – 650J John Deere Bulldozers
- 2 – 750C John Deere Bulldozers
- 1 – 450G John Deere Bulldozer Long Track
- 1 – 450H John Deere Long Track Dozer
- 1 – 416C Caterpillar Loader/Backhoe Combinations
- 1 – 420D Caterpillar Loader/Backhoe Combination
- 2 – TS14 Terex Earthmovers
- 1 – 120G Caterpillar Grader
- 1 – 30B Bucyrus Erie Crawler Crane – 1 yd
- 1 – L60 Volvo Loader - 2 ¾ yd
- 1 - L70 Volvo Loader - 3 yd
- 2 – L90 Volvo Loaders - 3 ¼ yd
- 1 - L120 Volvo Loader - 4 ½ yd
- 1 – Gehl Skid Steer Track Loader
- 2 – Takeuchi TL8 Skid Steer Track Loaders
- 1 – EW210D Volvo Wheeled Excavator
- 1 – Gehl GE383Z Mini Excavator
- 1 - Takeuchi TB180FR Excavator
- 1 – Takeuchi TB260CR Excavator
- 1 – Takeuchi TB290CR Excavator
- 1 – ZX160LC-5 Hitachi Excavator
- 1 – ZX350LC-5 Hitachi Excavator
- 1 – EC200E Volvo Excavator
- 1 – EC210BLC Volvo Excavator
- 1 – EC240CLC Volvo Excavator
- 2 – Tri Axle Dump Trucks

RITSCHARD BROS., INC.

South Bend, Indiana

NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

November 30, 2024 and 2023

NOTE 13 - BUY - SELL AGREEMENT

The Company and the shareholders have entered into a buy-sell agreement. In the event of death or withdrawal from active employment with the Company, the shareholder must sell and the Company must redeem all of the withdrawing shareholder's stock based on the value established by the agreement. If the Company is unable to purchase any of the shares, then the non-selling shareholders will be obligated to purchase the selling shareholder's shares at a value agreed to by the shareholders. The value is determined by a formula based on book value.