

RESOLUTION

Resolution Awarding a Contract for the Construction of the Charles J Miller Road Bridge Superstructure Replacement and Appropriating Funds (82)

WHEREAS, in order to maintain the condition of County Bridges it is necessary to perform inspections that are reviewed by the Illinois Department of Transportation; and

WHEREAS, the eastbound and westbound Charles J Miller Bridges are the largest bridges on the County Highway System. Together these bridges carry over 16,000 vehicles over the Fox River daily; and

WHEREAS, maintenance needs of this bridge began to exceed the capabilities, time and expertise of the MCDOT Maintenance staff; and

WHEREAS, the Division of Transportation sought the advice of their bridge inspection consultant Willett Hofmann & Associates to evaluate options for repair of the eastbound bridge; and

WHEREAS, On June 11, 2024, Willett Hofmann & Associates sent inspectors and structural engineers to inspect the bridge, utilizing various methods including sounding and thermal imaging and discovered that the bridge was experiencing delamination of the concrete deck through the reinforcement plane; and

WHEREAS, the area that was found to have failed exceeded the capabilities of in-house crews and that plans and a contract needed to be put together for bid; and

WHEREAS, the primary work includes removal of the existing deck, placement of the new deck, stabilization of the shoreline under the bridge and all other associated work; and

WHEREAS, bids were opened on March 4, 2026 at the Division of Transportation, and the Transportation Committee of the County Board have reviewed the bids.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, by this County Board of McHenry County, Illinois, that the bids be accepted for said primary contract and that a contract be awarded to Lorig Construction Company of Des Plaines, Illinois in the amount of \$5,070,478.05; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that a Purchase Order shall be opened and issued to Lorig Construction Company in a not to exceed amount of \$6,000,000.00; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that there is hereby appropriated from the FY2026 budget the sum of six million dollars (\$6,000,000.00) from the MCDOT RTA Sales Tax Project Fund; Main Acct. 260-82-8230-413150 (Highway Maintenance Contracts); and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that this project is hereby designated as Section 24-00589-00-BR; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Chairman is hereby authorized to execute the necessary contract and contract bond documents for said contract; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the County Clerk is hereby authorized to distribute a certified copy of this resolution to the County Administrator and the Chief Financial Officer, as well as an electronic copy to the Directory of Transportation/County Engineer.

DATED at Woodstock, Illinois, this 21st day of April, A.D., 2026.

Michael Buehler, Chairman
McHenry County Board

ATTEST:

Joseph J. Tirio, County Clerk



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SUBJECT: Resolution Awarding a Contract for the Construction of the Charles J Miller Road Bridge Superstructure Replacement and Appropriating Funds (82)

Board / Committee Action Requested:

Approve a resolution appropriating funds and awarding the contract for construction of the eastbound Charles J. Miller Road Bridge (056-3149) bridge deck replacement.

Background and Discussion: The McHenry County Division of Transportation is responsible for maintaining the condition of the County's bridges. It is necessary to repair or replace bridges to properly maintain the County transportation system as the bridges deteriorate. The condition of the eastbound Charles J. Miller Road Bridge deck is in a failed state, however, the bridge's beams, the substructure and the abutments are in very good shape and can remain in service.

The McHenry County Division of Transportation is therefore removing the deck and replacing it.

The \$6,000,000.00 appropriation includes an approximate 20% contingency to the low bid amount to address any potential unforeseen construction costs occur.

Impact on Human Resources: None

Impact on Budget (Revenue; Expenses, Fringe Benefits): The bridge construction cost has been included in the FY2026 budget from the RTA Sales Tax Fund.

Position Reclassification or Regrade, please address the following: None

Impact on Capital Expenditures: None

Impact on Physical Space: None

Impact on Other County Departments or Outside Agencies: A delay in appropriating the funds will delay the bridge construction, negatively impacting the motoring public.

Conformity to Board Ordinances, Policies and Strategic Plan: Conforms to County purchasing policies and ordinances.