



April 21, 2005

Dear City Council Member:

I am writing to ask you to support the Responsible Bidder Ordinance for all public works construction projects in your municipality.

Our constituents deserve to know that their tax dollars are being used efficiently and responsibly. The Responsible Bidder Ordinance sets clear and reasonable standards for contractors and subcontractors, union and non-union, who benefit from public dollars. These standards reinforce Illinois and federal law regarding prevailing wage, equal opportunity employment, insurance coverage and other accountability measures.

I know you share my belief that the people of Illinois deserve to know their tax dollars are being used responsibly. The Responsible Bidder Ordinance helps to ensure protection for workers, jobsite safety, on-time completion of projects and quality work. Combining these factors leads to the efficient use of public funds.

Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely yours,

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Illinois State Comptroller

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