

**EVALUATION OF BID
PROPOSALS**

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**FOR: SUBSTATION EXPANSION AT THE REGIONAL WASTEWATER RECLAMATION
FACILITY**

Bid File No.: 3736
Bid Opening: 12/22/2020

<u>BIDDERS</u>	<u>TOTAL NET BID AMOUNT</u>
1. Contra Costa Electric, Inc. 3208 Landco Drive Bakersfield, CA 93308	\$1,769,768.00

Each bidder has agreed to allow the City sixty-four (64) days from date bids are opened to accept or reject their bid proposal. Purchasing requests that you complete the following sections and return this bid evaluation to the Purchasing Unit at the latest by Friday, January 22, 2021, 5:00 P.M.

A Notice Inviting Bids was published on November 4, 2020, and posted on the City of Fresno's (City's) Planet Bids website. Specifications were distributed to 20 prospective bidders and posted at 14 Building Exchanges. One sealed bid proposal was received and publicly opened on December 22, 2020.

The bid proposal submitted by Contra Costa Electric, Inc., in the amount of \$1,769,768 is 30.6% above the Engineer's Estimate of \$1,355,000 and it was deemed excessive after evaluation. Complexity of the scope and large variance from the Engineer's Estimate regarding site work, concrete work and fencing contributed to the noted bid price. For this reason, staff recommends City Council reject the bid. To obtain a successful bid, staff will reevaluate the construction scope, industry conditions, and contract requirements to help ensure a successful rebid. Staff recommends that City Council reject the bid and direct staff to rebid the project.

BACKGROUND OF PROJECT (To be completed by Evaluating Department/Division. Explain need for project/equipment):

In 2001 the decision was made to provide the Facility with a dedicated substation to exclusively serve the growing power needs of the Facility. Phase 1 provided capacity to handle existing Facility loads plus the additional capacity for the Organics Upgrade Expansion Project (completed in 2009), the Enhanced Dewatering Facility Project (completed in 2014), and the Tertiary Treatment and Disinfection Facility (completed in 2017). A Load Study performed in late 2017 concluded that the Phase 1 Substation is nearing available capacity and will not support the next major Facility expansions identified in the 2005 Master Plan Update for the Facility.

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To accommodate future growth at the Facility, Phase 2 will expand the substation to add another 70KV to 12KV transformer, rated at 10 Megavolt Ampere (MVA). This expansion will include the addition of a high-side circuit switcher and connection to the existing switchgear installed in Phase 1.

DEPARTMENT CONCLUSIONS AND RECOMMENDATION:

☐ Award a contract in the amount of \$ _____
to _____
as the lowest responsive and responsible bidder.

Remarks:

☒ Reject all bids. Reason:

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Department Head Approval

R.D. Hall

Title Assistant Director

Date 3/20/21

- ☒ Approve Dept. Recommendation ☒ Approve Finance/Purchasing Recommendation
☐ Disapprove ☐ Disapprove
☐ See Attachment

FINANCE DEPARTMENT

CITY MANAGER

unspiral 03/23/2021
Purchasing Manager Date

Donny R. Webb 3/26/2021
City Manager or Designee Date

Michael Smith 3/24/21
Finance Director Date

FISCAL IMPACT STATEMENT

**PROGRAM: SUBSTATION EXPANSION AT THE REGIONAL WASTEWATER
RECLAMATION FACILITY**

**ADDRESS: 5067 W. JENSEN AVENUE
PROJECT ID: TC00169 PC BU: DPU
FUND: 40501 ORG: 414501**

<u>RECOMMENDATION</u>	<u>TOTAL OR CURRENT</u>	<u>ANNUALIZED COST</u>
Direct Cost	<u>N/A</u>	<u>N/A</u>
Indirect Cost	<u>N/A</u>	<u>N/A</u>
TOTAL COST	<u>N/A</u>	<u>N/A</u>
Additional Revenue or Savings Generated	<u>N/A</u>	<u>N/A</u>
Net City Cost	<u>N/A</u>	<u>N/A</u>
Amount Budgeted (If none budgeted, identify source)	<u>N/A</u>	<u>N/A</u>