

Agenda Report

TO: CITY COUNCIL

DATE: January 28, 2008

FROM: CITY MANAGER

SUBJECT: REJECTION OF ALL BIDS FOR THE FABRICATION AND INSTALLATION OF MOAT SCREEN, GATE AND PLATFORMS AT PASADENA CITY HALL

RECOMMENDATION

It is recommended that the City Council reject the bid received on December 28, 2007, in response to the Specifications for the Fabrication and Installation of Moat Screen, Gate And Platforms at Pasadena City Hall.

BACKGROUND

This project provides for the installation of a continuous moat screen around City Hall to restrict access to the crawl space under the building, where the base isolator pads are located. This isolation space ranges in height from 50 to 80 inches, is visible and only accessible from within the building moat. The installation of the moat screen will secure access to the crawl space and will also help keep debris and animals from entering the space. Gates will be installed at specific locations for entrance by maintenance staff and steps and platforms will be built over the existing utilities.

The Department of Public Works prepared specifications for the subject project and in accordance with Section 4.08.070 of the Pasadena Municipal Code, bids were requested and received. This project was advertised in the Pasadena Journal on December 6, 2007, and posted on the City's website. Eight contractors attended the mandatory pre-bid job walk, one of whom submitted a bid for the project.

Following advertising, bids were received on December 28, 2007, and are as follows:

<u>Bidder</u>	<u>Amount</u>
1. Fence Corp., Inc., Riverside	\$ 180,635.00
Engineers' Estimate	\$ 75,000.00

The lowest bid received was 140 percent higher than the Engineer's Estimate.

Staff has discovered an issue in the project specifications related to the type of screening material identified, the amount of field welding and utility modifications required. As a result, staff will explore other alternatives for securing the crawl space under the building with the installation to be completed this Spring.

FISCAL IMPACT

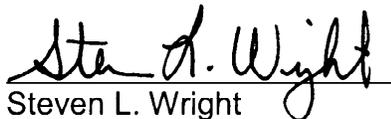
Other than minor staff and printing costs, rejecting these bids and re-advertising will have no fiscal impact on this project. Funds for this project are available in the Capital Improvement Program, Budget Account No.71904, City Hall Seismic Upgrade and Exterior Restoration.

Respectfully submitted,



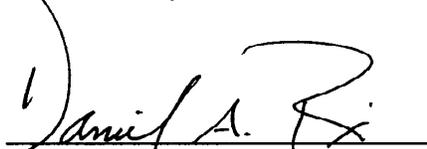
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