

# Agenda Report

June 18, 2012

TO:

Honorable Mayor and City Council

FROM:

Water and Power Department

SUBJECT:

REJECTION OF BID FOR PROVIDING LABOR AND MATERIALS FOR

THE SAW CUTTING OF CONCRETE AND ASPHALT PAVEMENT FOR

THE WATER AND POWER DEPARTMENT

### **RECOMMENDATION:**

It is recommended that the City Council reject a bid received on May 2, 2012, in response to Specifications WD-12-02 for providing labor and materials for the saw cutting of concrete and asphalt pavement for the Water and Power Department.

#### **BACKGROUND:**

Pasadena Water & Power (PWP) regularly implements water distribution projects directed by the goals and recommendations associated with the Capital Improvement Program, Water System Master Plan, Water Integrated Resource Plan, and other water operations-related work. The saw cutting of pavement will enhance operations for the removal of excavated soils from trenches during the installation of water mains.

On April 5, 2012, a Notice Inviting Bids ("Notice") to provide labor and materials for saw cutting services was advertised in the Pasadena Journal and also posted online through Plan Bids. A total of thirteen contractors received bid packages either by mail or by document download and one bid was received on May 2, 2012:

Bidder

Total Unit Price Per Foot

Miller Environmental Inc., Anaheim

\$ 25.65

Staff compared the bid received to historical data for the same type of bid specifications and past saw cutting projects and determined that the price submitted was not competitive. The total unit price from the bid received was approximately 22% higher than the lowest quotes received in the past year.

Therefore, staff will be working with the Purchasing Division to ensure that the revised specifications will encourage participation by small businesses while ensuring that the

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City's best interest is protected. With such revisions, staff expects to receive an increased number of bids during the next advertising.

Staff is planning for the revised Specifications WD-12-02 to be advertised on June 21, 2012. A contract award is expected to be brought back to Council in July 2012 with associated construction expected to commence in August 2012.

## **COUNCIL POLICY CONSIDERATION:**

The rejection of the one received bid supports the City Council strategic goal to improve, maintain, and enhance public facilities and infrastructure and to improve mobility and accessibility throughout the City.

## **ENVIRONMENTAL ANALYSIS:**

The rejection of bids is not a project pursuant to the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA), and because there is no potential of environmental effects, it is not subject to CEQA.

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## **FISCAL IMPACT:**

There is no fiscal impact as a result of this action and it will not have any indirect or support cost requirements. Currently, there is a \$25,000 purchase order contract in place for this type of work therefore, there will be no impact to other operational programs or capital projects as a result of this action.

Respectfully submitted,

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