

Agenda Report

December 7, 2009

TO: City Council
FROM: City Manager
SUBJECT: REJECTION OF BIDS FOR ELECTRICAL CONSTRUCTION AT CHESTER SUBSTATION FOR THE WATER AND POWER DEPARTMENT

RECOMMENDATION:

It is recommended that the City Council reject all bids received on September 22, 2009 in response to specifications LD-09-17 for electrical construction at Chester Substation for the Water and Power Department (Department).

BACKGROUND:

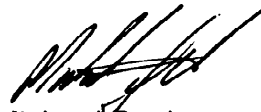
On September 3, 2009, a Notice Inviting Bids to Provide Labor and Materials for Electrical Construction at Chester Substation in accordance with Specifications LD-09-17 was published in the Pasadena Journal and posted on the City's web page. Three responsive bids were opened on September 22, 2009; the lowest bidder's quote was \$179,000.

Pasadena Water and Power Department electrical crews and their labor organization, IBEW, have expressed a desire to do the work described in Specifications LD-09-17 instead of the project being performed by an electrical contractor. Department personnel have demonstrated their ability to complete the work within the prescribed project schedule and not exceed the contractor's bid amount. Therefore, staff recommends that bids in response to Specifications LD-09-17 be rejected.

FISCAL IMPACT:

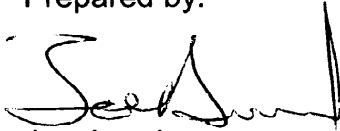
There is no fiscal impact of this action. Sufficient funds are available in Power Capital Fund 411, Capital Improvement Project No. 3090, Switchgear Upgrades for Power System Facilities.

Respectfully submitted,




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