

Agenda Report

Date: May 18, 2009

TO:

CITY COUNCIL

FROM:

CITY MANAGER

SUBJECT:

AUTHORIZATION TO ENTER INTO A PURCHASE ORDER CONTRACT

WITH THE VON CORPORATION TO FURNISH AND DELIVER A

COMBINATION GLOVE, BLANKET, AND LINE HOSE TESTER FOR AN

AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$109,400.

RECOMMENDATION:

It is recommended that the City Council accept the bid dated April 3, 2009 by the VON Corporation in response to Specifications LD-09-5 to Furnish and Deliver a Combination Unit for Glove and Blanket Testing; reject all other bids; and authorize a purchase order contract to the VON Corporation not to exceed \$109,400.

BACKGROUND:

The Water and Power Department is responsible for testing rubber gloves, blankets, line hoses, hood, and switch, sticks, sleeves, and bucket lines to ensure that they provide adequate electrical insulation for use in operating and maintaining the electric system. The equipment that is currently being used to test these devices is outdated and out of compliance. In addition to operating more efficiently and reliably, the new test equipment is designed to meet current American Society for Testing and Materials Standards and OSHA requirements.

On February 26, 2009, a Notice Inviting Bids was published in *The Pasadena Journal* and posted on the City's web page. In addition, specifications were mailed to three businesses on the Purchasing Division's vendor list. Three bids were opened on April 3, 2009 for Specification LD-09-5.

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The VON Corporation \$109,400.00 Hanco International \$123,793.00 Phenix Technologies \$189,931.25

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The VON Corporation was the lowest responsive bidder that met the requirements of the specification and is recommended to receive the purchase order contract award for work described in Specification LD-09-5 for an amount not to exceed \$109,400.00.

The proposed contracts are in compliance with Competitive Bidding and Purchasing Ordinance P.M.C. 4.08 and the rules and regulations promulgated there under.

FISCAL IMPACT:

Sufficient funding is available in the approved Power Capital Fund 411, Capital Improvement Project 3021, Power System Cable and Transformer Test Equipment.

Respectfully submitted,

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