

Agenda Report

December 13, 2021

TO:

Honorable Mayor and City Council

FROM:

Water and Power Department

SUBJECT: REJECTION OF BIDS TO FURNISH AND DELIVER 12.5% SODIUM

HYPOCHLORITE FOR WATER TREATMENT PURPOSES

RECOMMENDATION:

It is recommended that the City Council:

- 1. Find that the proposed action is not a "project" subject to the California Environmental Quality Act ("CEQA") pursuant to Public Resources Code Section 21065 and Section 15378 of the State CEQA Guidelines and. as such. no environmental document pursuant to CEQA is required for this action;
- 2. Reject all bids received on September 21,2021 in response to the Notice Inviting Bids to Furnish and Deliver 12.5% Sodium Hypochlorite

BACKGROUND:

Pasadena Water and Power Department ("PWP") developed bid specifications for the furnishing and delivery of 12.5% Sodium Hypochlorite, a water treatment compound used at the Sunset Reservoir Disinfection facility. On September 2, 2021, a Notice Inviting Bids for the specification was published in the Pasadena Press and Pasadena Journal. On August 25, 2021, notice inviting bids was also published on PlanetBids, which generated notices to all vendors previously registered with the City for this particular commodity class. A total of 13 vendors downloaded the specification, three bids were received by the bid opening date. Two responsible bids were received, one vendor submitted a partial bid and was deemed non-responsive per the specifications. Neither of the bids received were from local Pasadena companies.

PWP respectfully requests that the City Council reject all bids at this time. The sodium hypochlorite was to be used at the City's Sunset Reservoir Disinfection facility. However, since the initiation of the formal bidding process in early September PWP staff have implemented a series of operational changes at the disinfection facility that have resulted in PWP no longer needing the treatment compound at this time.

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COUNCIL POLICY CONSIDERATION:

The proposed action is consistent with the City Council Strategic Planning Goals to maintain fiscal responsibility and stability.

ENVIRONMENTAL ANALYSIS:

The proposed contract is not a "project" subject to CEQA pursuant to Public Resources Code Section 21065 and Section 15378 of the State CEQA Guidelines and, as such, no environmental document pursuant to CEQA is required for this action.

FISCAL IMPACT:

There is no fiscal impact as a result of this action.

Respectfully submitted,

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