

Agenda Report

TO: HONORABLE MEMBERS OF THE CITY COUNCIL

FROM: CITY MANAGER

SUBJECT: AUTHORIZATION OF PURCHASE FROM AMI ELECTRICAL & TELECOM, INC. TO FURNISH AND DELIVER FIBER OPTIC CABLE AND INNERDUCT

RECOMMENDATION

It is recommended that the City Council: i) accept the bid dated July 27, 1998 submitted by AMI Electrical & Telecom, Inc. to furnish and deliver fiber optic cable and innerduct; ii) reject all other bids; and iii) authorize the Purchasing Administrator to issue a purchase order for an amount not to exceed \$580,000.

BACKGROUND

On December 8, 1997, City Council approved a business plan which proposed the construction of a fiber optic backbone. The business plan included a budget of \$600,000 for the required fiber optic cable and innerduct (the plastic duct that will contain the fiber optic cable within the electrical system), as well as a 15% contingency. Specifications for the fiber optic cable and innerduct were issued June 26, 1998.

Eleven complete bids were received and opened on July 27, 1998. The bid results were as follows:

AMI Electrical & Telecom	505,383.76
Wesco	519,552.00
Ronco Industrial Supply	522,255.36
Exsell Sales Associates	528,380.09
Anixter, Inc.	537,240.00
Fibertron Corporation	550,608.80
Alltel Supply, Inc.	551,288.50
GTE California, Inc.	569,793.38
Complas, Inc.	585,657.08
ComElectric Inc.	590,507.22
OSP Consultants, Inc.	1,004,042.58

Additionally, three bids were deemed non-responsive for failing to bid all required items or taking exception to the City's standard terms and conditions.

AMI Electrical & Telecom, Inc., was fully responsive to the City's bid specifications. The firm has submitted the required Affirmative Action forms. The proposed purchase order agreement is in compliance with the Affirmative Action in Contracting Ordinance P.M.C. 4.09 and the Competitive Bidding Ordinance P.M.C. 4.08.

The proposed contract includes a base amount of \$505,385.76 and a contingency of just under 15%, for a total not-to-exceed amount of \$580,000. The contingency is prudent given ongoing work to identify the optimal lengths of fiber required to construct the network and the possibility of encountering unforeseen requirements during installation of the fiber.

FISCAL IMPACT

Funds for this project are budgeted in the Project Account 71101.

Respectfully submitted,




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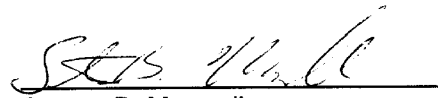


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