



City of San Antonio

Agenda Memorandum

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In Control: City Council A Session

DEPARTMENT: Finance Department

DEPARTMENT HEAD: Troy Elliott

COUNCIL DISTRICTS IMPACTED: Citywide

SUBJECT:

Water Feature Pump Replacements

SUMMARY:

This ordinance authorizes a contract with Pump Solutions, Inc. to provide the Public Works Department with two (2) new submersible pumps, associated monitors and panels for a total cost of \$270,750. Funding for this contract is available from the Stormwater Operating Fund FY 2024 Adopted Budget.

BACKGROUND INFORMATION:

Submitted for City Council consideration and action is a bid submitted by Pump Solutions, Inc. to provide the Public Works Department with two (2) new submersible pumps and associated monitors. This equipment will be utilized at the San Antonio River Tunnel Outlet Facility located at Lone Star Blvd. The pumps are crucial for aerating the recirculated water to improve water quality going into the tunnel and prevent flooding to the facility. The pumps support river and flood control and will be installed by the department. The current pumps are 28 years old and due for replacement to prevent malfunction.

The City issued an Invitation for Bid (IFB) “Water Feature Pump Replacements” (IFB

6100017589) on January 22, 2024, with a submission deadline of February 7, 2024. The IFB was advertised in the HartBeat, TVSA channel, the City's Bidding & Contracting opportunities website, the San Antonio e-Procurement System and an email notification was released to a list of potential respondents. Two bid responses were received. The lowest response did not meet the published technical specifications. Pump Solutions, Inc., is recommended for contract award and meets the published bid specifications.

The term of the contract will be upon award by City Council and will terminate upon delivery of all goods ordered.

ISSUE:

This contract will provide the Public Works Department with two (2) new submersible pumps, monitors and panels for the San Antonio River Tunnel Outlet Facility. A minimum of 90-days product guarantee or the manufacturer's standard commercial warranty, whichever is greater, will apply. The warranty will provide for replacement of defective merchandise, parts, and labor, and will include pick-up of the defective merchandise from City and delivery of the replacement(s) to the same location. The life cycle of this new equipment is 15-20 years.

This contract is within the scope of the Small Business Economic Development Advocacy (SBEDA) Program. However, due to lack of available firms and/or subcontracting opportunities, the Goal Setting Committee was unable to apply a SBEDA tool to this contract.

There were no bids submitted from local bidders for this contract; therefore, the Local Preference Program was not applied.

The Veteran-Owned Small Business Preference Program does not apply to goods and supplies contracts, so no preference was applied to this contract.

ALTERNATIVES:

Should this contract not be approved, the cost of reactive and preventive maintenance of the currently installed equipment will be more than the cost of new pumps and would have a negative impact on the River Tunnel Outlet Facility controlling the river and flood control, possibly leading to catastrophic flooding of the River Walk Area causing economic damages.

FISCAL IMPACT:

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RECOMMENDATION:

Staff recommends the approval of an ordinance.

This contract was procured by on a low bid basis and a Contracts Disclosure Form is not required.