

REPORT

To the Honorable Mayor and City Council
From the City Manager

July 11, 2005

Subject

Award of Contract – Fire Station No. 10 – Emergency Generator Replacement

Recommendation

Approve the Contract Documents and award the contract for the Fire Station No. 10 – Emergency Generator Replacement to All Area Electric & Construction Co., Inc. of San Francisco, California, for their low bid of \$ 98,000.00.

Background

The existing 6 KW standby generator at the Fire Station No. 10 is not adequate for the needs. Since this facility is an essential building, it needs a stronger generator to support the needs during an emergency.

This project will replace the existing 6 KW generator with a new powerful 60 KW generator with automatic transfer switch, distribution panels and other necessary electrical work that will make Fire Station No. 10 capable to operate during an emergency situation.

The three (3) bids received at the bid opening on May 25, 2005, are summarized below:

No.	Bidder	Bid Amount
1.	All Area Electric & Construction Co.	\$ 98,000.00
2.	Mitchell Engineering	\$ 138,000.00
3.	Steiny and Company Inc.	\$ 155,866.00

The bid of \$98,000.00 is 2 % lower than the Engineer’s Estimate of \$100,000.00 for the cost of construction. Based on the bids received, staff believes that the low bid is reasonable and responsive, and recommends awarding the contract to All Area Electric Construction Co. Inc.

On June 1, 2005 a bid protest was submitted by Brian Deering of San Mateo County Electrical Construction on behalf of Mitchell Engineering, allegedly claiming that ALL AREA ELECTRIC is a non-responsive bidder, due to the fact that said company (formerly Topline Electric aka Jin Construction & Electric Co.) has had over \$400,000 in wage assessments levied against them by the City of San Francisco, and had a three year debarment period leveled against them from the City of San Francisco.

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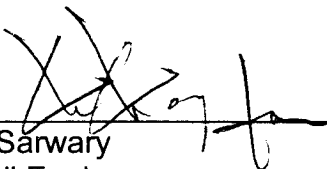
After a thorough evaluation of the information submitted by Brian Deering of San Mateo County Electrical Construction concerning this assessment and debarment, and after reviewing the bid documents of the lowest bidder and conducting an extensive background check, it was concluded that ALL AREA ELECTRIC & CONSTRUCTION CO. is in compliance with the City's Bidding Requirements. Therefore, the project is eligible for award to said contractor.

The City sent a response to Brian Deering's Bid Protest, informing him that the City will diligently monitor the contractor's work activities to make sure that ALL AREA ELECTRIC & CONSTRUCTION CO. complies with the prevailing wage rates requirements, as set forth by the Department of Industrial Relations.

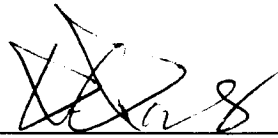
A complete copy of the agreement is available for review in the City Clerk's office.

Fiscal Impact

Funds in the amount of \$135,000 appropriated in the FY 2004-2005 Capital Improvement Program budget for these services.



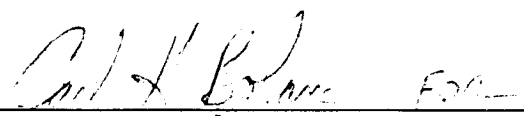
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