

# AGENDA REPORT

Department: Engineering and Public Works

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Meeting Date: Tuesday, November 19, 2024

Approved by: Benjamin A. Martinez, City Manager

## SUBJECT:

Awarding a Contract to Endelos Construction, LLC, for the Police Department Generator and Electrical Upgrades Project, CIP No. 20-04.

#### **RECOMMENDATION:**

Adopt a Resolution Entitled, "Resolution of the City Council of the City of National City, California 1) Rejecting All Bids Received on May 9, 2024 for the Police Department Generator and Electrical Upgrades Project, CIP No. 20-04; 2) Awarding a Contract to Endelos Construction LLC in the Not-to-Exceed Amount of \$1,420,880 for the Police Department Generator and Electrical Upgrades Project, CIP No. 20-04; 3) Authorizing a 15% Contingency in the Amount of \$213,132 for any Unforeseen Changes; 4) Authorizing the Mayor to Execute the Contract; and 5) Authorizing the Establishment of an Appropriation in the Amount of \$1,420,880 in the American Rescue Plan Act Fund for the Police Department Generator and Electrical Upgrades Project"

### **BOARD/COMMISSION/COMMITTEE PRIOR ACTION:**

Not Applicable.

## **EXPLANATION:**

The Police Department Generator and Electrical Upgrades project, CIP No. 20-04, will involve reconfiguring the current electrical distribution system for the police department. This upgrade will include the installation of a new standby generator system, transfer switches, electrical distribution equipment, mechanical components, a tank enclosure, an approximately 2,000-gallon double-wall tank, along with all necessary piping and controls. Currently, the Police Department's standby power system only covers the dispatch and server rooms, and emergency egress lighting for a few hours of run time. The new 300 kW generator in conjunction with the large capacity fuel tank will power 100% of the building loads for up to 96 hours. As such, this project will significantly increase the Police Department's ability to remain fully functional to provide emergency response in the event of an extended power outage.

On February 19, 2024, the bid solicitation was posted on PlanetBids, a free public electronic bidding system for contractors, in accordance with the City's Project Labor Agreement (PLA). On February 21, 2024 and February 22, 2024, the bid solicitation was advertised in local newspapers. On May 9, 2024, two (2) bids were received by the 1:00 p.m. deadline. Both bidders submitted proposals that significantly exceeded the engineer's estimate. Consequently, on June 6, 2024, staff informed both bidders that the City was rejecting all submitted bids. Staff also indicated that adjustments would be made to the project scope to align the bids with the budget allocations, after which the project would be rebid.

As a result of this outcome, on August 28, 2024, staff re-advertised the project on PlanetBids, in accordance with the City's Project Labor Agreement (PLA). On September 26, 2024, four (4) bids were received by the 5:00 p.m. deadline.

Endelos Construction LLC, was the apparent lowest bidder with a total bid amount of \$1,420,880. Upon a review of all documents submitted, Endelos Construction LLC's, bid was deemed responsive and they are the lowest responsible bidder qualified to perform the work as described in the project specifications.

Staff recommends awarding a contract to Endelos Construction LLC in the not-to-exceed amount of \$1,420,880 and authorizing a 15% contingency in the amount of \$213,132 to address any unforeseen conditions that may arise.

Attached are the bid opening summary sheet (Exhibit A) and a line item summary of the three lowest bidders (Exhibit B) for reference. Also attached is the Owner-Contractor Agreement (Exhibit C).

Construction is expected to begin by early 2025 and estimated to be completed by fall 2025. Typically, construction will begin four to six weeks after City Council approves award of contract to allow for coordination efforts, as well as contractor mobilization. For projects of this scope, the lead time on large equipment and specialized materials can also be long and push out the actual construction timeline.

Updates will be provided on the City's CIP website at: <a href="http://nationalcityprojects.com">http://nationalcityprojects.com</a>.

#### FINANCIAL STATEMENT:

Contract Award - \$1,420,880 (new appropriation - ARPA)
Expenditure Account No. 117-10-18-18500-7598-1178117 (Police Dept. Facility Upgrades)

15% Contingency - \$213,132 (funds available through prior appropriations - General Fund) Expenditure Account No. 100-10-18-18500-7598-1500100 (Facility Upgrades CIP)

## **RELATED CITY COUNCIL 2020-2025 STRATEGIC PLAN GOAL:**

Public Safety

#### **ENVIRONMENTAL REVIEW:**

A Notice of Exemption under Categorical Exemption – Class 1 Section 15301(f) – Existing Facilities of the CEQA Guidelines was filed with the County Recorder's Office on October 29, 2024.

#### **PUBLIC NOTIFICATION:**

The Agenda Report was posted within 72 hours of the meeting date and time in accordance with the Ralph M. Brown Act.

## **ORDINANCE:**

Not Applicable

#### **EXHIBITS**:

Exhibit A - Bid Opening Summary

Exhibit B - Three Lowest Bidders Summary

Exhibit C - Owner-Contract Agreement

Exhibit D - Resolution