



TO THE HONORABLE MAYOR AND COUNCIL:

DATE: July 28, 2015

SUBJECT: AUTHORIZE THE PURCHASE OF A RAIN BIRD PRE-PACKAGED VARIABLE SPEED PUMPING SYSTEM FOR CONCORD COMMUNITY PARK IN THE AMOUNT OF \$68,600 AS PHASE I OF PROJECT NO. 2242 – THE REPLACEMENT OF PUMP SYSTEM COMPONENTS AT FOUR (4) PARK LOCATIONS (MEASURE WW FUNDS)

Report in Brief

Staff recommends that the City Council authorize the sole-source purchase of a Rain Bird pre-packaged variable speed pumping system in the amount of \$68,600 from Turf Pro. This purchase marks the first phase of Project No. 2242 – Replacement of Pump System Components at Four (4) Park Locations. The pumping system is necessary to replace obsolete equipment at Concord Community Park, thereby reducing maintenance costs and improving the safety of park patrons who are using the athletic fields. The second through fourth phases of Project No. 2242 will be carried out at a later date.

Background

In November 2008, the voters of Alameda and Contra Costa Counties passed Measure WW, the East Bay Regional Park District's (EBRPD) \$500 million park bond extension proposition. Measure WW awarded \$5,657,180 to the City of Concord (distributed on a per capita basis) for parks and trail related projects. In February 2011, the City Council approved the Measure WW Funding Allocation Plan that included, among other things, the Replacement of Pump System Components at Four (4) Park Locations (PJ 2242), which includes Concord Community Park.

The pumping system at Concord Community Park is decades old, uses obsolete control technology and is plagued with maintenance issues. Staff has determined that a new pumping system with variable speed control will improve the pressure and flows that are necessary to irrigate the park and athletic fields. The new pumping system will reduce maintenance costs and improve safety for users of the athletic fields through healthier, stronger turf grass and fewer areas that are balding due to poor irrigation system performance.

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Discussion

Staff issued a formal Request for Bids (RFB) for the provision and installation of a pre-packaged variable speed vertical turbine pumping station on May 8, 2015. The City directly solicited bids from five companies specializing in pumping systems, published the bid on the City's website via the Public Purchase System - which includes thousands of registered vendors - posted the bid at City Hall in accordance with legal requirements, and sent the bid to the Concord Chamber of Commerce. No bids were received by the City's deadline of May 29, 2015.

The City's purchasing requirements state that purchases above \$50,000 require a competitive bid process and Council approval; and that in those instances when research determines the product can only be obtained from a single-source, the non-competitive purchase can only be consummated with justification and approval by the City Council.

In light of the absence of bids for this project, staff recommends that the City Council authorize the sole-source purchase of a Rain Bird pre-packaged variable speed pumping system in the amount of \$68,600 from Turf Pro. Rain Bird has been a leading provider of irrigation equipment for the agriculture and golf communities around the world for more than eighty years. A focus of the company is irrigation efficiency and the minimization of equipment maintenance costs. Public Works will perform site preparation and installation of the new Rain Bird pumping system using a combination of in-house staff and contractors at the conclusion of the 2015 irrigation season. The second through fourth phases of Project No. 2242 will be carried out at a later date.

Fiscal Impact

Measure WW funds in the amount of \$756,000 are available for the Replacement of Pump System Components at Four (4) Park Locations (Project No. 2242). Administrative indirect costs (cost recovery) do not qualify for Measure WW fund expenditures. The project will be administered and managed using in-house Public Works staff and the costs of which will be absorbed by the Public Works Department's operating budget.

Public Contact

The City Council agenda was posted in accordance with legal requirements.

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Recommendation for Action

Staff recommends that the City Council authorize the sole-source purchase of a Rain Bird prepackaged variable speed pumping system in the amount of \$68,600 from Turf Pro.

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Attachment A: Review Memo for Request for Bid #2322 – Concord Community Park Irrigation Pump



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INTEROFFICE MEMORANDUM

To: Justin Ezell, Director of Public Works

From: Debbie Wellnitz, Purchasing Manager

Subject: Review Memo for Request For Bid (RFB)#2322 Concord Community Park Irrigation Pump

Date: June 1, 2015

This correspondence is to advise you that we received no bids for the above RFB.

The City issued a 'Request For Bid' notice in accordance with the COC Procurement Policy. The Notice to Bid was published on the City's website via Public Purchase System(which includes thousands of registered vendors), posted in the glass box outside of the Finance building, sent to the Concord Chamber of Commerce, and *sent to a list of 5 companies you provided*. The bid was issued on the following bid timeline schedule:

Bid Timeline Schedule		
Date	Time	Activity
May 8, 2015	By 5:00 PM	RFB Issued
May 15, 2015	4:00 PM	Questions to RFB Due
May 18, 2015	4:00 PM	Addendum Issued/Posted on Purchasing Website by City Staff <i>(Addendum may include revisions and/or responses to RFB/ Questions)</i>
May 29, 2015	10:00 AM	<u>Bid Due Date</u> <u>Bid Submittals to & Bid Opening Location:</u> Office of City Clerk-Wing A City of Concord Civic Center 1950 Parkside Drive-M/S 03 Concord, California 94519

We received **no bids** by the deadline noted above.

The bid result is typically posted on the website shortly after the bid opening. The above results are considered as 'No Bids Received'.

You may choose to issue this bid again or select a company within 30 days of the bid due date above without further competitive bidding as stated in the below policy.

Pursuant to Municipal Code, Title 3 Revenue and Finance, Chapter 3.10 Purchasing, Section 3.10.070 Formal competitive bids; bidding regulations for purchases over threshold established by City Council Resolution, subsection (f): '***No responsive bids. If no responsive bids are received, the services performed or the supplies or equipment furnished may be obtained without further competitive bidding. The purchase must be made within thirty (30) days of the bid due date and time.***

Please let me know what your plans will be for this bid. I can be reached at 925-671-3219 or debbie.wellnitz@cityofconcord.org for any questions. Thank you.