



BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
AGENDA LETTER

Agenda Number:

Clerk of the Board of Supervisors
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Department Name: Public Works
Department No.: 054
For Agenda of: 7/2/2013
Placement: Administrative
Estimated Tme:
Continued Item: No
If Yes, date from:
Vote Required: Majority

TO: Board of Supervisors

FROM: Department Scott McGolpin, Director, P.E., x3010
Director(s) Public Works Department

Contact Info: Mark Schleich, Deputy Director, x3600
Public Works Department

SUBJECT: **Request for Waiver of Competition for Services Contract with Southern California Edison to Upgrade Streetlights in County Service Area 31 – Third Supervisorial District**

County Counsel Concurrence

As to form: Yes

Other Concurrence:

Purchasing, Community Services Department

As to form: Yes

Auditor-Controller Concurrence

As to form: No

Recommended Actions:

- A. Authorize the County Purchasing Agent to sole source the services of Southern California Edison (SCE) to retrofit streetlights in County Service Area (CSA) 31 (Isla Vista) in an amount not to exceed \$100,000.
- B. Find that the proposed action is for the minor alteration of existing public facilities involving no expansion of the use beyond that which presently exists, that the proposed action is therefore exempt from the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) pursuant to 14CCR 15301 and approve the filing of a Notice of Exemption on that basis (copy attached).

Summary Text:

This action requests authorization to procure services from SCE to retrofit streetlights in a certain section of Isla Vista from high pressure sodium vapor (HPSV) lamps of various wattages to light emitted diode (LED) lamps of various wattages. The source of project funds are Community Development Block Grant program funding provided through the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development and administered by the County Housing and Community Development Department.

Background:

CSA 31 provides for the cost of operating streetlights (as well as other services) to the Isla Vista area. SCE owns the streetlighting infrastructure and provides the streetlighting services to the County of Santa Barbara pursuant to a Master Street Lighting Agreement dated September 21, 1981 and current California Public Utility Commission (CPUC) rate tariffs (attached). Currently there are 335 streetlights of various lamp wattage sizes throughout the community, all of which are lit with HPSV lamps. In an effort to improve infrastructure, the Public Works Department was recently awarded a grant in the amount of \$110,000 (up to \$100,000 for SCE costs) from the CDBG program to retrofit streetlighting in Isla Vista, an area identified to have low and moderate incomes (see memorandum of understanding between the County Department of Housing and Community development Department and the County Public Works Department attached). Testimony supporting the project at the CDBG hearing was made by the Sheriff's Department, UCSB administration and UCSB student groups. The work would not involve ground disturbance activities or expansion of use and can therefore be found to be categorically exempt from CEQA pursuant to 14CCR 15301 (Existing Facilities).

The Master Street Lighting Agreement and rate tariffs require that modifications to the streetlighting system be made by SCE and further requires the cost of the modifications be borne by the customer. The CDBG program customarily provides funds for capital improvements through a competitive bid process unless the awarding agency (Board of Supervisors) determines that conditions exist that allow for a sole source or noncompetitive procurement process. Because the project scope is only available from a single source, this action recommends the waiver of a competitive procurement process and requests authorization for the County Purchasing Manager to execute a services contract with SCE to retrofit existing streetlights as described above. The work will be performed either by SCE forces or by a contractor chosen by SCE from a list of prequalified vendors that were retained through a competitive bid process. It is further understood that SCE can procure materials through bulk pricing at a lesser cost than through a conventional bid process.

Other conditions of the CDBG program address federal prevailing wages and labor standards; opportunities for disadvantaged woman business enterprises; local low income labor concerns; non-use of debarred vendors; and compliance with the National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA). It should be noted that SCE is a union shop entity; hires union contractors; participates in disadvantaged business enterprise programs for both material purchases and labor services; and follows all applicable labor standards. It is further the intent of this project to observe any and all CDBG requirements as they may be applicable.

Performance Measure:

Replacing HPSV lamps with LED lamps will provide better lighting with better efficiency.

Fiscal and Facilities Impacts:

Budgeted: Yes

Fiscal Analysis:

<u>Funding Sources</u>	<u>Current FY Cost:</u>	<u>Annualized On-going Cost:</u>	<u>Total One-Time Project Cost</u>
General Fund			
State			
Federal			
Fees			
Other: Grant			\$ 110,000.00
Total	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 110,000.00

Narrative: Funding for the one time capital cost to make the lighting modifications is from a grant from the CDBG program.

Staffing Impacts:

There are no staffing impacts with this action.

Special Instructions:

- A. Send a certified copy of the minute order to:
Mark Masoner, General Services Department, Purchasing Manager
Mark Schleich, PW Dept. Deputy Director of Resource Recovery & Waste Management
Martin Wilder, PW Dept. Utilities Manager
- B. Following Board approval, Clerk of the Board to post the Notice of Exemption and forward a stamped copy to Public Works, attention Martin Wilder and Joddi Leipner.

Attachments:

Notice of Exemption
Master Street Light Agreement and current rate tariff
MOU with the County Housing and Urban Development Department

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Public Works Department

Copy:

Mark Masoner, General Services Purchasing Manager