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CITY COUNCIL STAFF REPORT

Meeting: December 3, 2019

Subject

Reject all bids received for the Blackberry Farm Slide and Recreation Pool Remodel, (Project No. 2020-10) and authorize the Director of Public Works to competitively solicit contractors to only complete work necessary to resolve spot repair of rust stains in the pools.

Recommended Action

1. Receive report on bids for the Blackberry Farm Slide and Recreation Pool Remodel; and

2. Authorize the Director of Public Works to reject all bids for the Blackberry Farm Slide and Recreation Pool Remodel; and

3. Authorize the Director of Public Works to competitively solicit contractors to only complete work necessary to resolve spot repair of rust stains in the pools.

Discussion

The Blackberry Farm pools were originally purchased in 1991 and were reconditioned in 1995 and re-plastered in 2010. The industry standard to have municipal pools replastered and otherwise improved is every 8-10 years. The indicators of work needing to be completed include rough plaster, loose or missing tiles, corroded metal and rust staining. Each of these indicators are currently present. The scope of work that was written to address these issues for the Blackberry Farm Slide and Recreation Pool Remodel Project (Project) includes the following work for both the recreation pool and the slide pool:

- Plaster resurfacing (approx. 3,000 square feet in the recreation pool and 2,000 square feet in the slide pool)
- Spot repair of underwater rust stains
- Deck coping replacement
- Handrail replacement
- Tile replacement with new markers
- Underwater light replacement
- Repair of damaged portions of deck

Staff issued the advertisement for bids for the Project on October 23, 2019. The bid opportunity was noticed in the Cupertino Courier, trade journals and directly to self-listed interested contractors. Staff also reached out directly to pool contractors.

On November 14, 2019, the City received one (1) bid for the Project. Below is a summary of bids results:

Bidder	Bid Amount
Western Water Features, Inc.	\$ 469,000
Available Budget	\$ 192,000

The lone bid submitted by Western Water Features, Inc. is significantly over the available budget and the Engineer's estimate for the work. Due to the lack of response and high bid amount, rejecting all bids and re-advertising the project with its current scope is not expected to yield different results in this difficult bidding environment and is not recommended.

To ensure that the pools can open at the start of the swim season in April, it is necessary to resolve the immediate deficiencies identified by Cal OSHA in this year's inspection of the facility. The deficiency that needs to be addressed involves rust stains at the bottom of the pool. It is recommended that spot repairs be done to address these rust stains prior to April. The remaining work will be assessed and potentially included in the Fiscal Year 2020-21 Capital Improvement Program recommendations after the spot repairs are complete.

<u>Fiscal Impact</u>

On June 5, 2018, the City Council allocated \$200,000 for this project. Currently, \$192,000 is available for improvement work. Spot repair of rust areas is anticipated to cost less than \$75,000 and will be authorized by the Director of Public Works after a competitive process without any additional action required by the City Council. All unused funds will be returned to the capital reserve fund.

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