



RESOLUTION NO. U-11400

1 A RESOLUTION related to the purchase of materials, supplies, equipment and
2 the furnishing of services; authorizing the City officials to enter into
3 contracts and, where specified, waive competitive bidding requirements,
4 authorize sale of surplus property, or increase or extend existing
5 agreements.

6 WHEREAS the City of Tacoma, Department of Public Utilities, requested
7 bids or proposals for the purchase of certain materials, supplies, equipment or
8 the furnishing of certain services, or proposes to purchase off an agreement
9 previously competitively bid and entered into by another governmental entity or
10 a purchasing cooperative, or for the sales of surplus, or desires to increase or
11 extend an existing agreement, all as explained by the attached Exhibit "A,"
12 which by this reference is incorporated herein, and

13 WHEREAS in response thereto, bids or proposals (or prices from
14 another governmental or cooperative agreement) were received, all as
15 evidenced by Exhibit "A," and

16 WHEREAS the Board of Contracts and Awards or the requesting division
17 have heretofore made their recommendations, which may include waiver of the
18 formal competitive bid process because it was not practicable to follow said
19 process, or because the purchase is from a single source, or there is an
20 emergency that requires such waiver, or because a directly negotiated contract
21 was determined to be in the best interest of the City, or waiver of minor
22 deviations, and in the case of sale of surplus, a declaration of surplus has been
23 made certifying that said items are no longer essential for continued effective
24 utility service, as explained in Exhibit "A," Now, therefore,
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Item No.: 1
Meeting Date: SEPTEMBER 13, 2023

TO: Board of Contracts and Awards
FROM: Chris Robinson, Utilities Deputy Director, Power Superintendent, Tacoma Power
Joe Wilson, Power Section Manager, Power Transmission & Distribution (T&D)
Sharon Brophy, Senior Manager, Business Services, Power T&D Supplies & Business Services
Matt Johnson, Power Systems Engineer PE, Principal, Power T&D Projects & Standards
COPY: Public Utility Board, Director of Utilities, Board Clerk, EIC Coordinator, LEAP Coordinator, and Sara Bird, Finance/Purchasing
SUBJECT: Underground Vaults and Handholes
Request for Bids Specification No. PT23-0017F, Contract No. CW2260407 – September 13, 2023, Public Utility Board
DATE: August 25th, 2023

RECOMMENDATION SUMMARY: Tacoma Power T&D recommends a contract be awarded to Jensen Precast, Puyallup, WA, in the amount of \$610,495, plus applicable taxes, budgeted from the Tacoma Power fund, for an initial contract term of three years with the option to renew for two one-year periods, for a projected contract amount of \$700,000, plus applicable taxes, for purchase of underground precast vaults and accessories on an as-needed basis.

STRATEGIC POLICY PRIORITY:

- Ensure all Tacoma residents are valued and have access to resources to meet their needs.
- Assure outstanding stewardship of the natural and built environment.

BACKGROUND:

This contract will provide supply of underground precast concrete vaults. These vaults are intended for installations within Tacoma Power's underground distribution system to house power cables, splice boxes, transformers, and underground switching equipment.

ISSUE: These items are needed for new construction projects as well as replacement of aging infrastructure.

ALTERNATIVES: Tacoma Power T&D would not be able to schedule new utility installations or replace items in the field, leading to loss of revenue.

COMPETITIVE SOLICITATION:

Request for Bids (RFB) Specification No. PT23-0017F was opened August 22nd, 2023. Forty companies were invited to bid in addition to normal advertising of the project. Three submittals were received.

Jensen Precast submitted a bid that resulted in the lowest evaluated submittal. The table below reflects the amount of the initial contract term.



<u>Respondent</u>	<u>Location</u> <i>(city and state)</i>	<u>Submittal Amount</u>
Jensen Precast	Puyallup, WA	\$610,495
H2 Precast	Wenatchee, WA	\$896,865
Oldcastle Precast	Puyallup, WA	\$967,856

Pre-bid Estimate: \$500,000

The recommended award is 22 percent above the pre-bid estimate.

CONTRACT HISTORY: New contract

SUSTAINABILITY: Not applicable

EQUITY IN CONTRACTING (EIC) COMPLIANCE: Not applicable

LOCAL EMPLOYMENT AND APPRENTICESHIP TRAINING PROGRAM (LEAP) COMPLIANCE: Not applicable

FISCAL IMPACT:

EXPENDITURES:

FUND NUMBER & FUND NAME *	COST OBJECT (CC/WBS/ORDER)	COST ELEMENT	TOTAL AMOUNT
4700 Tacoma Power	Various	Various	\$700,000
TOTAL			Up to \$700,000

REVENUES:

FUNDING SOURCE	COST OBJECT (CC/WBS/ORDER)	COST ELEMENT	TOTAL AMOUNT
Power Sales	Various	Various	\$700,000
TOTAL			Up to \$700,000

FISCAL IMPACT TO CURRENT BIENNIAL BUDGET: \$ 200,000

ARE THE EXPENDITURES AND REVENUES PLANNED AND BUDGETED? Yes

IF EXPENSE IS NOT BUDGETED, PLEASE EXPLAIN HOW THEY ARE TO BE COVERED. N/A