



RESOLUTION NO. U-11610

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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**Contract and Award Letter
Purchase Resolution – Exhibit “A”**

TO: Board of Contracts and Awards
FROM: Andy Cherullo, Director, Finance
 Patsy Best, Procurement and Payables Division Manager, Finance
 Tad Carlson, Purchasing Manager, Finance
COPY: Public Utility Board, Director of Utilities, Board Clerk, City Council, City Manager,
 City Clerk, EIC Coordinator, LEAP Coordinator, and Ryan Foster, Senior Buyer,
 Finance/Procurement
SUBJECT: Citywide – Job Order Contracts (JOC)
 Request for Proposals (RFP) Specification No. CT25-0217F, Contract Nos.
 CW2282006, CW2282009, CW2282012 – June 10, 2026 Public Utility Board and
 June 16, 2026 City Council
DATE: May 29, 2026

RECOMMENDATION SUMMARY:

The Procurement and Payables Division of the Finance Department recommends awarding a contract to three contractors, including Saybr Contractors Inc, Tacoma, WA, FORMA Construction Company, Olympia, WA, and Rognlin’s Inc, Aberdeen, WA, in the amount of \$4,000,000 each, plus applicable taxes, budgeted from various funds, for an initial contract term of July 1, 2026 – June 30, 2027, with the option to renew for two additional, one-year terms, for a projected contract amount of \$12,000,000 each, plus applicable taxes, for as needed job order contracting (JOC). The cumulative total for all three contracts is \$36,000,000, however, these contracts are as needed and actual spend will be determined by the work orders that are executed and accepted under each contract.

STRATEGIC POLICY PRIORITY:

- Foster a vibrant and diverse economy with good jobs for all Tacoma residents.
- Assure outstanding stewardship of the natural and built environment.
- Encourage and promote an efficient and effective government, which is fiscally sustainable and guided by engaged residents.

BACKGROUND:

State law requires that public works projects (construction, alteration, repair or improvement at the expense of public entities) be competed with a request for bids (RFB) with a complete and detailed scope of work which is awarded to the lowest bidder.

The legislature has only afforded cities a few alternatives to development, advertisement, and award of a full specification and JOC is one of those. The nature and specific requirements of a JOC makes them a good tool. State law requires 90 percent of the work performed under a JOC to be subcontracted which presents a prime opportunity to work with historically marginalized contractors. JOCs employ a collaborative approach to scope development where the prime contractor partners with city project managers to develop an agreed upon scope that is then priced based upon a construction task catalog with preestablished prices.

The request for proposals (RFP) issued by the City included features to further encourage subcontracting with historically marginalized contractors as well as standard requirements to



ensure local and apprentice workers were employed by contractors that fulfill work orders over the life of these contracts. The City of Tacoma Equity in Contracting team established subcontracting requirements that the proposed prime contractors must meet over the course of the contract. Additionally, 20 percent of the scoring in the qualifications phase has been reserved for evaluation of utilization plans submitted by respondents detailing how they will ensure they meet these requirements.

In summary, JOCs present the City an alternative method for procurement of smaller and less complex public works that provides increased access to city contracts for historically underutilized contractor while also saving staff time and providing experienced and well-established primed contractors to coordinate the work.

ISSUE: In general, public work projects may only be awarded to the responsible bidder with the lowest responsive bid. This results in time consuming specification development on the city side, and results in a lot of public works contracts being awarded to larger, established companies with the experience to put together a responsive bid and the size to be able to provide the most competitive bid.

ALTERNATIVES: The alternative to approving this recommendation would be to continue soliciting public work projects as the City does today and would forego the benefits both to historically underutilized suppliers and to city staff that oversee public work projects.

COMPETITIVE SOLICITATION:

RFP Specification No. CT25-0217F was opened March 3, 2026. Two thousand nine hundred sixty-two (2,962) companies were invited to bid in addition to normal advertising of the project. The City of Tacoma, in partnership with The Gordian Group Inc, also held informational meetings advertised to the same 2,962 companies providing detailed information on the opportunity as well as an opportunity for prime and sub-contractor candidates to understand how best to coordinate to ensure both had access to the resulting specification.

Seven submittals were received. This was a two-phase solicitation: Phase one included an evaluation of qualification of respondents which comprise 70 percent of the final scoring. In phase two, the City solicited adjustment factors from all respondents that were deemed qualified in phase one, and the scoring on those factors comprised 30 percent of the final score.

Saybr Contractors Inc, FORMA Construction Company, and Rognlin's Inc submitted proposals that resulted in the highest evaluated submittals after consideration of EIC participation goals. The table below reflects the final score for all respondents.

<u>Respondent (RFP)</u>	<u>Location</u>	<u>Score</u>
Saybr Contractors Inc	Tacoma, WA	83.5
FORMA Construction Company	Olympia, WA	79.8
Rognlin's Inc	Aberdeen, WA	74.9
Apex Mechanical LLC	Battle Ground, WA	72.5
Westmark Construction, Inc.	Tacoma, WA	68.7



Centennial Contractors Enterprises, Inc.	Joint Base Lewis-McChord, WA	58.4
Woodridge Construction LLC	Monroe, WA	14.3

Pre-bid Estimate: \$36,000,000

The recommended award is the same as the pre-bid estimate.

CONTRACT HISTORY: New Contracts

SUSTAINABILITY: Sustainability comprised five percent of the scoring of the qualifications of the respondents and the recommended awardees average scores are given below.

Saybr Contractors Inc	4.0 out of 5
FORMA Construction Company	3.6 out of 5
Rognlin's Inc	1.4 out of 5

EQUITY IN CONTRACTING (EIC) COMPLIANCE: The EIC requirements for this project are MBE 10 percent, WBE 10 percent and SBE 10 percent. Contractors are obligated to meet these goals and 20 percent of the qualifications scoring was reserved for evaluation of submitted utilization plans. The recommended awardees' scores are listed below:

Saybr Contractors Inc	19.5 out of 20
FORMA Construction Company	18.0 out of 20
Rognlin's Inc	16.0 out of 20

LOCAL EMPLOYMENT AND APPRENTICESHIP TRAINING PROGRAM (LEAP) COMPLIANCE: The LEAP requirements for this project are 15 percent of the project labor hours must be worked by Local Employees and an additional 15 percent of the labor hours must be worked by Apprentices, per TMC 1.90.040.

FISCAL IMPACT:

Will be dependent on Departmental usage

EXPENDITURES:

FUND NUMBER & FUND NAME *	COST OBJECT (CC/WBS/ORDER)	COST ELEMENT	TOTAL AMOUNT
Various			\$36,000,000
TOTAL			Up to \$36,000,000

REVENUES:

FUNDING SOURCE	COST OBJECT (CC/WBS/ORDER)	COST ELEMENT	TOTAL AMOUNT
Various			(\$36,000,000)
TOTAL			Up to (\$36,000,000)



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Purchase Resolution – Exhibit “A”**

FISCAL IMPACT TO CURRENT BIENNIAL BUDGET: Dependent upon department use of the contract.

ARE THE EXPENDITURES AND REVENUES PLANNED AND BUDGETED? Funds for the contract are provided by the individual departments using the contract. Funding beyond the current biennium is subject to future availability of funds. The user departments are billed directly for their purchases.

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



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City Clerk, EIC Coordinator, LEAP Coordinator, and Ryan Foster, Senior Buyer,
Finance/Procurement
SUBJECT: Citywide – Job Order Contract (JOC) Consultant
Request for Proposals (RFP) Specification No. CT25-0044F, Contract No.
CW2276204 – June 10, 2026 Public Utility Board and June 16, 2026 City Council
DATE: May 29, 2026

RECOMMENDATION SUMMARY:

The Procurement and Payables Division of the Finance Department requests approval to increase Contract No. CW2276204 to The Gordian Group, Inc (Gordian), Greenville, SC, by \$2,160,000, plus applicable taxes, budgeted from various funds, for on-call, as needed job order contract (JOC) consulting services. This increase will bring the contract to a projected total of \$2,160,000, plus applicable taxes.

STRATEGIC POLICY PRIORITY:

- Foster a vibrant and diverse economy with good jobs for all Tacoma residents.
- Assure outstanding stewardship of the natural and built environment.
- Encourage and promote an efficient and effective government, which is fiscally sustainable and guided by engaged residents.

BACKGROUND: The City of Tacoma is establishing a JOC portfolio which provides an alternative method for procurement of public works and improvements for smaller and less complex projects. In order for the City to establish JOCs, a construction task catalog is needed: Gordian’s Construction Task Catalog is one of several well-established unit price books. Additionally, since the City is new to JOCs, during the information gathering phase, we were strongly encouraged to employ a consultant to ensure prime contractors were using the unit price book correctly.

Following an RFP, the City determined Gordian submitted the best proposal to act as a JOC consultant. Gordian provided assistance during the solicitation phase of this project including additional advertisement of the opportunity and education to potential prime and sub-contractors. Based on the existing contract, Gordian has not been compensated for their work up to this point as their submittal indicated that all compensation, they receive is via percentage markup on task authorizations under the resulting prime contractor contracts.

Once the JOCs are fully executed, Gordian will transition to a role of consulting on individual work orders. Gordian will act as a liaison between the prime contractors and city project managers, ensure work order proposals are aligned with the contract and best practice.



ISSUE: JOC is one component of a comprehensive procurement strategy for public works projects. A consultant is highly recommended when initially standing up a JOC program.

ALTERNATIVES: If the recommendation is not approved, City staff would continue soliciting public works as they have been and the additional contracting opportunities for underutilized suppliers and the staff time savings may not be realized.

COMPETITIVE SOLICITATION:

RFP Specification No. CT25-0044F was opened May 20, 2025. Seven companies were invited to bid in addition to normal advertising of the project. Three submittals were received.

The Gordian Group Inc submitted a bid that resulted in the highest score after EIC consideration.

<u>Respondent</u> (RFP)	<u>Location</u> <i>(city and state)</i>	<u>Score</u>
The Gordian Group Inc	Greenville, SC	88.25
Facility Optimized Solutions LLC	Buffalo, NY	79.75
TruVs Inc	Bellevue, WA	55.50

Pre-bid Estimate: \$720,000 - \$2,000,000

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

CONTRACT HISTORY: This contract was originally awarded to The Gordian Group Inc. as a result of RFP Specification No. CT25-0044F in June 2025. The contract was executed without an explicit contract value as that not to exceed value was dependent upon the number of JOCs the City executed. There were no renewals included in the contract.

SUSTAINABILITY: Five percent of final scoring in the RFP was reserved for Sustainability considerations.

EQUITY IN CONTRACTING (EIC) COMPLIANCE: Not applicable - Service contract - EIC Regulations are not yet established. Five percent of final scoring in the RFP was reserved for EIC considerations but the awardee did not qualify for the points.

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
Various Funds			\$2,160,000
TOTAL			Up to \$2,160,000

REVENUES:

FUNDING SOURCE	COST OBJECT (CC/WBS/ORDER)	COST ELEMENT	TOTAL AMOUNT
Various Funds			Up to (\$2,160,000)
TOTAL			Up to (\$2,160,000)

FISCAL IMPACT TO CURRENT BIENNIAL BUDGET: Dependent upon department use of the contract.

ARE THE EXPENDITURES AND REVENUES PLANNED AND BUDGETED? Funds for the contract are provided by the individual departments using the contract. Funding beyond the current biennium is subject to future availability of funds. The user departments are billed directly for their purchases.

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



Resolution No.: U-11610
Item No.: 3
Meeting Date: JUNE 10, 2026

TO: Board of Contracts and Awards
FROM: Chris Robinson, Power Superintendent, Tacoma Power
Tosha Siebert, Transmission & Distribution Section Manager, Tacoma Power
Sharon Brophy, Business Services Senior Manager, Tacoma Power
Erica Pierce, Senior Business Services Analyst, Tacoma Power
COPY: Public Utility Board, Director of Utilities, Board Clerk, EIC Coordinator, LEAP
Coordinator, and Aaron Bratton, Senior Buyer, Finance/Purchasing
SUBJECT: Underground Precast Concrete Vaults
Request for Bids Specification No. PT23-0017F, Contract No. 4600015494 –
June 10, 2026 Public Utility Board
DATE: May 22, 2026

RECOMMENDATION SUMMARY:

Tacoma Power requests approval to increase and extend Contract No. 4600015494, to Jensen Enterprises Inc, Puyallup, WA, by \$300,000, plus applicable taxes, budgeted from the Power Fund 4700, for underground vaults and handholds. This increase will bring the contract to a projected total of \$1,200,000, plus applicable taxes and extend the contract through September 30, 2028.

BACKGROUND:

This contract will provide supply of underground precast concrete vaults. These vaults are intended for installations with 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: If the increase is not awarded, Tacoma Power would need to purchase these items on a one-time, as needed basis or perform a new solicitation for a new contract. Either of these options could potentially cause Tacoma Power to delay scheduling new utility installation or replacement of items in the field, leading to a loss of revenue.

COMPETITIVE ANALYSIS:

This contract is three years into the award cycle and the vendor is performing well. To solicit a new contract at this juncture is inefficient, as it would place additional demands on internal resources and negatively affect service time and project timelines.

CONTRACT HISTORY: This contract was originally awarded to Jensen Enterprises Inc as a result of Request for Bids Specification No. PT23-0017F in September 2023. This contract was originally approved under Public Utility Board resolution U-11400. Effective February 1, 2026, the contract was amended to increase contract value by \$200,000 to \$900,000 via administrative increase authority.

SUSTAINABILITY: Not applicable



EQUITY IN CONTRACTING (EIC) COMPLIANCE: Not applicable - Supply purchase - EIC Regulations are not yet established

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
Power Fund – 4700	Various	Various	\$300,000
TOTAL			Up to \$300,000

REVENUES:

FUNDING SOURCE	COST OBJECT (CC/WBS/ORDER)	COST ELEMENT	TOTAL AMOUNT
Power Sales	Various	Various	(\$300,000)
TOTAL			Up to (\$300,000)

FISCAL IMPACT TO CURRENT BIENNIAL BUDGET: Approximately \$48,000 in 2026

ARE THE EXPENDITURES AND REVENUES PLANNED AND BUDGETED? Yes

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



Resolution No.: U-11610
Item No.: 4
Meeting Date: JUNE 10, 2026

TO: Board of Contracts and Awards
FROM: Chris Robinson, Power Superintendent, Tacoma Power
Tosha Siebert, Transmission & Distribution Section Manager, Tacoma Power
Sharon Brophy, Business Services Senior Manager, Tacoma Power
Erica Pierce, Senior Business Services Analyst, Tacoma Power
COPY: Public Utility Board, Director of Utilities, Board Clerk, EIC Coordinator, LEAP
Coordinator, and Aaron Bratton, Senior Buyer, Finance/Purchasing
SUBJECT: 115kV Unitized Transmission Switches
Request for Bids Specification No. PT20-0175F, Contract No. 4600014539 –
June 10, 2026 Public Utility Board
DATE: May 22, 2026

RECOMMENDATION SUMMARY:

Tacoma Power requests approval to increase Contract No. 4600014539, to Cleaveland Price Inc, of Trafford, PA, by \$685,560.87, plus applicable taxes, budgeted from the Power Fund 4700, for the purchase of 115kV Unitized Transmission Switches. This increase will bring the contract to a projected total of \$2,000,000.00, plus applicable taxes.

BACKGROUND:

This contract is for the supply of three-phase, group operated (unitized), pole-mounted transmission disconnect switches. This equipment will be managed by the Power Warehouse as an inventory material. Projected usage includes requirements for new construction and replacement on Tacoma Power's 115kV class transmission system.

ISSUE: Unitized transmission switches are needed both for replacement of aging assets on Tacoma Power's transmission system and to support new construction projects. Continued demand for materials associated with new construction has resulted in ongoing use of unitized transmission switches.

ALTERNATIVES: If the increase is not awarded, Tacoma Power would need to purchase unitized transmission switches on a one-time, as needed basis. This would require numerous solicitations significantly impacting internal resources, negatively affecting service time and project timelines, and potentially increasing costs by not leveraging economies of scale.

COMPETITIVE ANALYSIS:

If the increase is not awarded, Tacoma Power would need to purchase unitized transmission switches on a one-time, as needed basis or conduct a new solicitation to award a new contract.

Given the volatility of the commodity market over the last few years, as well as an ever-evolving tariff code, the likelihood of securing pricing at the same rate or lower than pricing with the current manufacturer would be unlikely. This would result in higher prices for these items.

CONTRACT HISTORY: This contract was originally awarded to Cleaveland Price Inc as a result of Request for Bids Specification No. PT20-0175F in November 2020. This contract has



been extended twice via amendment in 2023 & 2025. In 2025, the contract was increased by \$500,000.00 to the current total via the administrative authority granted under the original PUB resolution U-11217.

SUSTAINABILITY: Not applicable

EQUITY IN CONTRACTING (EIC) COMPLIANCE: Not applicable - Supply purchase - EIC Regulations are not yet established

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
Power Fund – 4700	Various	Various	\$685,560.87
TOTAL			Up to \$685,560.87

REVENUES:

FUNDING SOURCE	COST OBJECT (CC/WBS/ORDER)	COST ELEMENT	TOTAL AMOUNT
Power Sales	Various	Various	(\$685,560.87)
TOTAL			Up to (\$685,560.87)

FISCAL IMPACT TO CURRENT BIENNIAL BUDGET: Approximately \$147,000.00 for 2026

ARE THE EXPENDITURES AND REVENUES PLANNED AND BUDGETED? Yes

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



Resolution No.: U-11610
Item No.: 5
Meeting Date: JUNE 10, 2026

TO: Board of Contracts and Awards
FROM: Chris Robinson, Power Superintendent, Tacoma Power
Tosha Siebert, Transmission & Distribution Section Manager, Tacoma Power
Sharon Brophy, Business Services Senior Manager, Tacoma Power
Erica Pierce, Senior Business Services Analyst, Tacoma Power
COPY: Public Utility Board, Director of Utilities, Board Clerk, EIC Coordinator, LEAP
Coordinator, and Aaron Bratton, Senior Buyer, Finance/Purchasing
SUBJECT: Single Phase Pad-Mounted Distribution Transformers
Request for Proposals Specification No. PT26-0030F – June 10, 2026 Public
Utility Board
DATE: May 21, 2026

RECOMMENDATION SUMMARY:

Tacoma Power Transmission & Distribution (T&D) recommends contracts be awarded to General Pacific Inc, Fairview, Oregon, in the amount of \$1,000,000, plus applicable taxes, and to Anixter Inc, Glenview, IL, in the amount of \$1,000,000, plus applicable taxes, budgeted from the Power Fund, for an initial contract term of three (3) years with the option to renew for two (2) one-year renewals, for a projected total value of \$2,000,000, plus applicable taxes, for single phase pad-mounted distribution transformers.

BACKGROUND:

Tacoma Power T&D has been purchasing single phase pad-mounted distribution transformers via one-time quotes or waivers. This was due to the COVID pandemic prompting manufacturers to discontinue previously negotiated contracts.

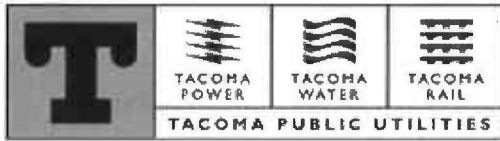
ISSUE: Tacoma Power T&D conducted a Request for Proposals (RFP) solicitation for these items to find vendors that most closely meet the needs for pricing and pricing adjustments, favorable lead times coupled with supply chain reliability, storm/emergency response protocols, adaption of the U.S. Department of Energy (DOE) amorphous core requirements, and materials planning system for orders.

ALTERNATIVES: If these contracts are not approved, Tacoma Power T&D would need to continue conducting one-time bids to procure pad-mounted distribution transformers. This will be an additional strain on staff resources. Additionally, this will lead to unpredictable lead times and stock constraints for Tacoma Power crews.

COMPETITIVE SOLICITATION:

Request for Proposals Specification No. PT26-0030F was opened April 14, 2026. Seventy-seven (77) companies were invited to bid in addition to normal advertising of the project. Fifteen (15) submittals were received. Ten (10) submittals were deemed non-responsive by either not including required information or not meeting the minimum qualifications set forth in the specification.

Anixter Inc and General Pacific Inc both submitted proposals that resulted in the highest evaluated submittals. The table below reflects the scoring of the responsive respondents.



<u>Respondent</u>	<u>Location</u>	<u>Score</u>
General Pacific Inc/ERMCO	Fairview, OR	80.40
Anixter Inc/Eaton Cooper	Portland, OR	77.80
Anixter Inc/Hitachi	Portland, OR	74.20
Anixter Inc/General Electric	Portland, OR	69.11
Irby/Central Moloney	Portland, OR	68.30

CONTRACT HISTORY: New contracts

SUSTAINABILITY: Tacoma Power T&D included a scoring component in this RFP for sustainability which required a discussion of measurable sustainability efforts undertaken by each company. General Pacific Inc is representing the manufacturer, ERMCO, which does not have a published sustainability plan, their team had reached out last year to discuss Tacoma Power T&D's requirements for stenciling numbers onto transformers. The previous method was wasteful and not in best practices for our sustainability goals. ERMCO suggested moving to decals instead of stencils to assist in minimizing waste production on purchased items, which Tacoma Power T&D has adopted into its technical specifications. ERMCO also attempts to ship in full loads whenever possible to reduce carbon impacts from shipping.

Anixter Inc is representing Eaton/Cooper manufacturers. Eaton/Cooper is working toward becoming carbon neutral by 2030. The company issues annual sustainability reports to track progress toward its 2030 goals. One of their goals is to have their manufacturing sites with zero waste-to-landfill.

EQUITY IN CONTRACTING (EIC) COMPLIANCE: Not applicable - Supply purchase - EIC Regulations are not yet established

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



FISCAL IMPACT:

EXPENDITURES:

FUND NUMBER & FUND NAME *	COST OBJECT (CC/WBS/ORDER)	COST ELEMENT	TOTAL AMOUNT
Power Fund - 4700	Various	Various	\$2,000,000
TOTAL			Up to \$2,000,000

REVENUES:

FUNDING SOURCE	COST OBJECT (CC/WBS/ORDER)	COST ELEMENT	TOTAL AMOUNT
Power Sales	Various	Various	(\$2,000,000)
TOTAL			Up to (\$2,000,000)

FISCAL IMPACT TO CURRENT BIENNIAL BUDGET: \$ 0

ARE THE EXPENDITURES AND REVENUES PLANNED AND BUDGETED? Yes

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



Resolution No.: U-11610

Item No.: 6

Meeting Date: JUNE 10, 2026

TO: Board of Contracts and Awards
FROM: Chris Robinson, Power Superintendent, Tacoma Power
Tosha Siebert, Transmission & Distribution Section Manager, Tacoma Power
Sharon Brophy, Business Services Senior Manager, Tacoma Power
Erica Pierce, Senior Business Services Analyst, Tacoma Power
COPY: Public Utility Board, Director of Utilities, Board Clerk, EIC Coordinator, LEAP
Coordinator, and Aaron Bratton, Senior Buyer, Finance/Purchasing
SUBJECT: Network Protectors
Omnia Cooperative R240809, Contract No. 4600016242– June 10, 2026 Public
Utility Board
DATE: May 22, 2026

RECOMMENDATION SUMMARY:

Tacoma Power Transmission & Distribution (T&D) recommends awarding Contract No. 4600016242 to Anixter Inc, Glenview, IL, utilizing Omnia Cooperative Contract No. R240809 (Omnia R240809) in the amount of \$5,000,000, plus applicable taxes, budgeted from the Power Fund 4700, following the cooperative contract term of November 1, 2024 through October 31, 2027, with the option to renew for two (2) additional one-year periods through October 31, 2029, for a projected contract amount of \$5,000,000, plus applicable taxes, for maintenance, repair and operations (MRO) supplies, equipment, and related products and services.

BACKGROUND:

In 2020, Tacoma Power conducted two separate solicitations for network protectors. Only one vendor responded to each solicitation, representing Eaton. Due to these submittals, the engineering team has standardized plans for replacement and modernization with the network protectors quoted in that solicitation.

Tacoma Power has planned a network transformer replacement project throughout its service area. With each transformer that is switched out, a network protector with a built-in relay is also installed.

ISSUE: Network protectors are a required component when replacing a network transformer, with an average cost of \$70,000 per unit. To maintain adequate inventory for projected work, orders for a six-month period can total \$500,000 or more. Current lead times are exceeding one year, and orders must be placed on a regular basis as project timelines are finalized with operational teams. The total anticipated spend for the items purchased during the remainder of 2026 through 2028 is \$5,000,000. The items contain multiple volatile commodities such as metal, which is additional subject to supply and demand, as well as tariff implications and/or price increases.

ALTERNATIVES: If this approval is not granted, each future order will need to be brought to the Public Utility Board individually. This would significantly extend lead times and delay overall project schedules. Current lead times for network protectors exceed 58 weeks, and postponing orders could push these timelines even further, increase costs, and hinder the Department's



ability to maintain adequate inventory for the network transformer replacement and modernization program scheduled through 2034.

COMPETITIVE SOLICITATION:

Request for Proposals Specification No. 24-08 was issued by Region 4 Education Service Center under the Omnia Cooperative and was opened June 27, 2024. 89 companies were invited to bid in addition to normal advertising of the project. Thirteen submittals were received and nine contracts were awarded, including to WESCO Distribution, Inc., with a termination date of October 31, 2029. Anixter, Inc. is an ordering entity under WESCO Distribution Inc. The purchase is made via City membership to the Omnia Cooperative.

If the purchase is based on an Interlocal agreement, insert information on the competitively solicited contract by the other agency and provide justification for using another agency's contract rather than conducting our own competitive solicitation.

CONTRACT HISTORY: Omnia R240809 with Anixter Inc is an existing citywide contract leveraged by departments across the City. T&D is seeking a resolution to approve pending and future purchases of network protectors that may exceed \$500,000.

SUSTAINABILITY: N/A

EQUITY IN CONTRACTING (EIC) COMPLIANCE: Not applicable - Supply purchase - EIC Regulations are not yet established

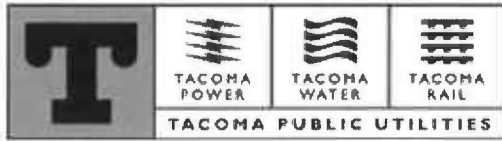
LOCAL EMPLOYMENT AND APPRENTICESHIP TRAINING PROGRAM (LEAP) COMPLIANCE: Not applicable

EXPENDITURES:

FUND NUMBER & FUND NAME *	COST OBJECT (CC/WBS/ORDER)	COST ELEMENT	TOTAL AMOUNT
Power Fund – 4700	Various	Various	\$5,000,000
TOTAL			Up to \$5,000,000

REVENUES:

FUNDING SOURCE	COST OBJECT (CC/WBS/ORDER)	COST ELEMENT	TOTAL AMOUNT
Power Sales	Various	Various	(\$5,000,000)
TOTAL			Up to (\$5,000,000)



FISCAL IMPACT TO CURRENT BIENNIAL BUDGET: \$800,000

ARE THE EXPENDITURES AND REVENUES PLANNED AND BUDGETED? Yes

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



Resolution No.: U-11610
Item No.: 7
Meeting Date: June 10, 2026

TO: Board of Contracts and Awards
FROM: Chris Robinson, Power Superintendent, Tacoma Power
Chris Mattson, Section Manager, Power Generation
COPY: Matt Bleich, Assistant Section Manager, Power Generation Natural Resources
Public Utility Board, Director of Utilities, Board Clerk, EIC Coordinator, LEAP
Coordinator, and Ryan Foster, Senior Buyer, Finance/Purchasing
SUBJECT: Federal Energy Regulatory Commission (FERC) License Implementation and
Relicense Support
Direct Negotiation Waiver, Contract No. CW2270232 – June 10, 2026 Public
Utility Board
DATE: April 10, 2026

RECOMMENDATION SUMMARY:

Tacoma Power requests approval to increase and extend Contract No. CW2270232 with HDR Engineering, Inc. (HDR), Bellevue, WA, by \$2,500,000, plus applicable taxes, budgeted from the Power Fund 4700, for project management and technical support services for FERC licensing and compliance activities related to the Nisqually, Wynoochee, Cowlitz, and Cushman Hydroelectric Projects. This increase will bring the contract to a projected total of \$3,000,000, plus applicable taxes, and extend the contract through December 31, 2031.

BACKGROUND:

Tacoma Power utilizes external consultants to address internal staffing constraints and maximize regional expertise for major efforts such as FERC licensing and compliance efforts. Tacoma is required to maintain a FERC license for each of our four Hydroelectric projects. Ongoing compliance efforts for these licenses are highly intensive efforts and do not decrease during relicensing efforts. In addition, strategic support for the licensing program associated with the surrender of Wynoochee and relicensing of Nisqually and Cowlitz each represents exceptionally and uniquely large programmatic efforts. This contract represents one of the key support contracts for these critical programs to ensure risks and opportunities for Tacoma's customers are managed effectively for sustainable, long-lasting impacts.

ISSUE:

Three of Tacoma Power's four FERC licenses are currently scheduled to expire within a two-year period beginning in 2037. Tacoma Power is required to take formal regulatory actions by 2032 and has already begun planning and pre-filing activities. The schedule and activities necessary to accomplish this work were detailed during the initial phases of this contract, resulting in a clear understanding of the magnitude, effort, and timing required to successfully execute the work. This contract is a continuation of this support to assist staff, including a new team who will be hired and will require significant contracted supplementation throughout these efforts.

ALTERNATIVES:

During the initial phase of this contract, multiple alternatives were considered, including hiring additional full-time employees (FTEs), contracting a greater portion of the work, and distributing this scope of work among multiple contractors. The recommended approach reflects a



balanced strategy that combines the addition of internal full-time employees with the continued use of contractors to maintain continuity on a critical program. This approach also preserves flexibility within the budget to supplement contractor support as needed to address workload demands and optimize resource allocation.

COMPETITIVE ANALYSIS:

There is a limited number of firms with the specialized experience required to support FERC license implementation and relicensing efforts in the Pacific Northwest. HDR was originally selected due to the unique complexity of the portfolio of hydropower licenses Tacoma is required to address, for which we are required to take formal regulatory action for three of Tacoma’s four FERC licenses by 2032. There were no other firms with the breadth of experience or professional expertise that included firsthand experience to address the strategic deliverables required to date. This included development of a relicensing plan, a governance strategy, a series of trainings at all levels of the organization, and a cost structure to better inform current and future impacts. Additionally, each FERC license is highly unique, presenting distinct regulatory, environmental, and operational considerations. HDR has developed extensive institutional knowledge through its longstanding partnership with Tacoma Power, including a detailed understanding of the specific requirements, constraints, and opportunities associated with Tacoma’s licenses. In addition, FERC relicensing requires a niche set of professional skills and experience that are not currently available within Tacoma Power’s staff but are core to HDR’s practice. Due to HDR’s unique familiarity with Tacoma’s hydroelectric system and licensing framework, and the complexity of the work, direct negotiation with HDR is in the best interest of the City to ensure continuity, reduce risk, and achieve overall cost effectiveness.

CONTRACT HISTORY: This contract was originally awarded to HDR Engineering, Inc. as a result of a direct negotiation waiver in December 2024. The original contract amount was \$500,000, plus applicable taxes, with a contract term through December 31, 2029.

Amendment No. 1 was executed in February 2025 to apply the updated rate schedule.

Amendment No. 2 was executed in September 2025 to incorporate a Duty of Confidentiality clause into the Contract.

SUSTAINABILITY: Sustainability is integrated into every aspect of this contract. The work is associated with ensuring our Natural Resources compliance obligations while producing clean power. Further, project lifecycle costs include sustainability principles for this work.

EQUITY IN CONTRACTING (EIC) COMPLIANCE: Not applicable - Service contract - EIC Regulations are not yet established.

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 – Power Fund	Various	5330100	\$2,500,000
TOTAL			Up to \$2,500,000

REVENUES:

FUNDING SOURCE	COST OBJECT (CC/WBS/ORDER)	COST ELEMENT	TOTAL AMOUNT
4700 – Power Fund	Various	5330100	(\$2,500,000)
TOTAL			Up to (\$2,500,000)

FISCAL IMPACT TO CURRENT BIENNIAL BUDGET: \$2,500,000

ARE THE EXPENDITURES AND REVENUES PLANNED AND BUDGETED? Yes

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



Resolution No.: U-11610
Item No.: 8
Meeting Date: JUNE 10, 2026

TO: Board of Contracts and Awards
FROM: Chris Robinson, Power Superintendent, Tacoma Power
Rachel Allen, Power Utility Section Manager, Power Shared Services
Terry Coggins, Fleet & Facilities Division Manager, Power Shared Services Facilities
COPY: Paul Bekkers, Fleet & Facilities Manager, Power Shared Services Facilities
Public Utility Board, Director of Utilities, Board Clerk, EIC Coordinator, LEAP Coordinator, and Aaron Bratton, Senior Buyer, Finance/Purchasing
SUBJECT: Increase and Extend Request for Augmented Electrical Services Labor Request for Proposals (RFP) Specification No. PS24-0019F, Contract No. CW2270662 – June 10, 2026, Public Utility Board
DATE: May 22, 2026

RECOMMENDATION SUMMARY:

Tacoma Power requests approval to increase and extend Contract No. CW2270662, to Sare Electric Inc, Olympia, WA, by \$1,050,000, plus applicable taxes, budgeted from the 4700 – Power Fund, for electrical services labor to augment the Power Shared Services (PSS) Facilities electrician crew, to support unrealized expense of O&M and capital project work. This increase will bring the contract to a projected contract total of \$1,500,000, plus applicable taxes, and extend the contract through December 31, 2028.

BACKGROUND:

Tacoma Power maintains an electrical services contract to augment PSS Facilities journey-level inside wire electrician labor for various expense/capital project work, corrective repairs, and preventive/predictive maintenance.

ISSUE: Based on unrealized project load brought on by return to in-person working for Tacoma Power and Tacoma Water, the maturing PSS Project Management Office's (PMO) Project Delivery group, and the Washington Clean Buildings Performance Standard (CBPS), more augmented labor has been needed to support continued organizational priorities. The contract began executing spend in September 2025 with the Retirement Office return to an in-person work reconfiguration. Contract labor support continued with Legal Offices reconfiguration, Teams conference room conversions, PSS/Management Services Office (MSO) workspace reconfiguration, Generation workspace reconfiguration, Tacoma Public Utilities (TPU) Administration Building North (ABN) entry and atrium, Transmission and Distribution (T&D) engineering workspace reconfiguration, and Administration Building South (ABS) third floor Utilities Technology Services (UTS) workspace reconfiguration.

As a result of the increased need for project support, the contract as of April 20, 2026, has spent \$305,000 of the original contract amount of \$450,000. Upcoming, we still have the Tacoma Water return to in-person work reconfiguration consisting of ABN second floor, fleet building emergency lighting, warehouse electrical service upgrade, ABN & ABS gender neutral restrooms, fire control panel upgrades, Energy Control Center (ECC) security monitoring center and T&D training room reconfiguration, fleet garage electrical system upgrade, and Washington CBPS.



ALTERNATIVES: One alternative course of action could be to slow down project execution timelines and execute entirely with internal labor. A second alternative could be to reduce the number of projects selected to move forward to execution. These alternatives have been reviewed with department leadership and deemed not viable at this time.

COMPETITIVE SOLICITATION:

RFP Specification No. PS24-0019F was opened October 1, 2024. Seventy-six (76) companies were invited to bid in addition to normal advertising of the project. One submittal was received.

Sare Electric Inc submitted a bid that resulted in the lowest evaluated submittal. The table below reflects the amount of the total award.

<u>Respondent</u> (RFP)	<u>Location</u>	<u>Score</u>
Sare Electric Inc	Olympia, WA	7.85 of 10

Pre-bid Estimate: \$450,000

The recommended award is the same as the pre-bid estimate.

CONTRACT HISTORY: This contract was originally awarded to Sare Electric Inc as a result of RFP Specification No. PS24-0019F and executed on January 23, 2025, with a not to exceed amount of \$450,000 and an end date of October 31, 2027.

SUSTAINABILITY: The crew this contractor augments installs and maintains electric power infrastructure to facilitate conversion to electric equipment whenever natural gas equipment reaches end of operating life. They install and maintain both fleet and public facing electric vehicle charging stations here on campus and at Tacoma Power's Old Town Substation. They upgrade to high efficiency lighting and metering to reduce and monitor our electric power consumption where opportunity allows, per the Sustainability-Related Resolutions, Proclamations, and Ordinances.



EQUITY IN CONTRACTING (EIC) COMPLIANCE: No EIC requirements for the contract. However, the City of Tacoma is committed to equality in contracting for under-utilized small, minority and women-owned businesses and we encourage you to locate these firms by visiting the Washington State Office of Minority and Women’s Business Enterprises - [Washington State Office of Minority & Women’s Business Enterprises Certification Management System ...](#)

LOCAL EMPLOYMENT AND APPRENTICESHIP TRAINING PROGRAM (LEAP) COMPLIANCE: There is no LEAP requirement for the contract. However, the City of Tacoma is committed to equality in employment for Washington State approved Apprentices, City of Tacoma residents, residents of local economically distressed areas, youth, veterans, minorities, and women. Please contact the LEAP Office for assistance in locating qualified employees. Please visit the LEAP website for more information.

FISCAL IMPACT:

EXPENDITURES:

FUND NUMBER & FUND NAME *	COST OBJECT (CC/WBS/ORDER)	COST ELEMENT	TOTAL AMOUNT
4700 – Power Fund	563900	As needed	\$1,500,000
TOTAL			Up to \$1,500,000

REVENUES:

FUNDING SOURCE	COST OBJECT (CC/WBS/ORDER)	COST ELEMENT	TOTAL AMOUNT
4700 – Power Fund	563900	As needed	(\$1,500,000)
TOTAL			Up to (\$1,500,000)

FISCAL IMPACT TO CURRENT BIENNIAL BUDGET: \$ 1,500,000 covers to the end of 2027 fiscal year.

ARE THE EXPENDITURES AND REVENUES PLANNED AND BUDGETED? Yes

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