Office of the City Manager

CONSENT CALENDAR
July 16, 2013

To: Honorable Mayor and Members of the City Council

From: Christine Daniel, City Manager

Submitted by: Andrew Clough, Director, Public Works

Subject: Contract: ERA Construction, Inc., for Transfer Station Drainage Improvement Project – Phase II

RECOMMENDATION

Adopt a Resolution:

1. Approving plans and specifications for the Transfer Station Drainage Improvement Project – Phase II, Specification Number 12-10656-C; and
2. Accepting the bid of ERA Construction, Inc., and authorizing the City Manager to execute a contract and any extensions or change orders until completion of the project in accordance with the approved plans and specifications, in an amount not to exceed $484,000.

FISCAL IMPACTS OF RECOMMENDATION

Funding of $484,000 is available in the FY 2014 Capital Improvement Fund (Fund 610). No other funding is required, and no projects will be delayed due to this expenditure.

Low bid by Contractor	$440,000
10% Contingency	$44,000
Total Construction Cost	$484,000

This contract has been assigned CMS No. Q8IZQ

CURRENT SITUATION AND ITS EFFECTS

This project will correct several current storm water and sanitary sewer issues at the City of Berkeley Transfer Station, and will: 1) ensure sewer water from the vehicle wash station does not get into the storm water system; 2) prevent storm water from getting into the tire storage corral; 3) move the bin wash station to underneath the tipping floor roof, ensuring this water only goes into the sewer system; and 4) filter storm water from the Transfer station before it gets into the City's storm water infrastructure.

To implement these improvements the existing infrastructure will be expanded and improved by installing additional drain inlets, gate valves, storm water vaults, storm water lines, and sanitary sewer lines.

BACKGROUND

The Transfer Station Drainage Improvement Project was released for bid on May 10, 2013, and bids were opened on May 30, 2013. Three bids were received, from a low of $440,000 to a high of $717,000 (Attachment 2). ERA Construction, Inc. of San Pablo, California was the lowest responsive and responsible bidder, and the recommendation is to award the contract for this project to ERA Construction, Inc.

The Living Wage Ordinance does not apply to this project, since pursuant to City policy, Public Works construction contracts are subject to state prevailing wage laws. ERA Construction, Inc. has submitted a Certification of Compliance with the Equal Benefits Ordinance.

RATIONALE FOR RECOMMENDATION

ERA Construction, Inc. was the lowest responsive and responsible bidder for this project. The City does not have the in-house personnel or expertise to do the construction.

ALTERNATIVE ACTIONS CONSIDERED

No alternative action was considered. This project has gone through a series of different stages, including planning, preliminary cost estimating, field investigations, surveys, and design prior to its implementation.

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Attachments:
1: Resolution
2: Bid Results

RESOLUTION NO. ##,###-N.S.

CONTRACT: ERA CONSTRUCTION, INC. FOR THE TRANSFER STATION DRAINAGE IMPROVEMENT PROJECT – PHASE II

WHEREAS, storm water and sanitary sewer pipeline improvements are necessary for compliance with current regulations; and

WHEREAS, the City has neither the labor nor equipment to undertake this project; and

WHEREAS, an invitation for bids was duly advertised and ERA Construction, Inc was the lowest responsive and responsible bidder; and

WHEREAS, funds are available in the FY 2014 Capital Improvement Fund (Fund 610) and the contract has been entered in the Contract Management System with CMS No. Q8IZQ.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Council of the City of Berkeley that the City Manager is authorized to approve the plans and specifications for the Transfer Station Drainage Improvement Project – Phase II, Specification Number 12-10656-C, and accept the bid of ERA Construction, Inc.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the City Manager is authorized to execute a contract and any extensions or other change orders with ERA Construction, Inc. until completion of the project, in an amount not to exceed $484,000. A record signature copy of this contract and any amendments are to be on file in the Office of the City Clerk.

Attachment 2

Finance Department
General Services Division

City of Berkeley
Abstract of Bid Worksheet

FOR: Transfer Station Drainage Phase II

Spec. # 12-10656-C

Bid Date: May 30, 2013

	Bidders	Base Bid		Nuc Free	Work Force Comp	Opp. States	Living Wage	EBO	Bid Bond	Addenda
1	ERA Construction, Inc.	440,000.							✓	
2	AB Construction	489,000.							✓	
3	L.A. Forde	717,000.							✓	
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Bid Recorder: 5/30/13

Bid Opener: 5/30/13

Project Manager: 5.30.13

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