## REPORT TO CITY COUNCIL

DATE: SEPTEMBER 11, 2013

TO: HONORABLE MAYOR AND MEMBERS OF THE CITY COUNCIL

FROM: GREG RAMIREZ, CITY MANAGER

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SUBJECT: REQUEST TO REJECT ALL BID PROPOSALS FOR THE

CONSTRUCTION OF THE RECREATION CENTER (NIB 13-04) AND

**AUTHORIZE STAFF TO RESOLICIT FOR BID PROPOSALS** 

The City completed the process to solicit for bid proposals for construction of the community's Recreation Center, which closed on August 21, 2013. The City received six sealed proposals, with cost proposals ranging from \$5.1 million to \$12.3 million. The design team's cost estimate is \$7.8 million for the Phase I construction, which includes site work, rehabilitation of the building and the addition of event center space.

The lowest apparent bidder requested to withdraw their bid proposal due to a calculation error in the their bid submittal. The second lowest apparent bidder also requested to withdraw their bid submittal due to a claimed error in their submittal by their staff. Although California Contracts Code allows for the City to award the project to the third lowest apparent bidder, it is the recommendation of staff to reject the remaining bid proposals at this time and authorize staff to solicit new bid proposals for construction that are more consistent with the estimated cost proposal.

The Recreation Center has several unique features, including a dedicated senior citizen room, dedicated space for youth and teen programs and activities, which does not exist today, community event space (approximately 3,500 sq. ft. space), the ability to have functional indoor and outdoor space that can be combined, and the integration of a trail head that will lead to a future natural trail. The renovation of this 18,000 sq. ft. facility will allow it to serve as a hub for resources to the region and provide a natural extension of the existing Civic Center.

Staff is prepared to immediately advertise for the construction, following the City Council's approval. The bid proposal period would remain open until October 10, 2013, at 4:00 pm. It is anticipated that the construction bid would be awarded to the lowest apparent bidder at the second scheduled meeting of the City Council in October. The Recreation Center construction is still expected to take approximately 12 months to complete, which would be followed by a transfer of the existing Community Services staff and operations to the new facility.

With the lease at the current Recreation Center location set to expire at the end of December 2014, it is imperative to continue moving forward with the construction schedule as planned.

The construction of the facility will be paid for through monies set-aside in the Recreation Center Fund, several grants, and lease-revenue bond-proceeds.

## **RECOMMENDATION**

Staff is respectfully recommending the City Council reject the remaining bid proposals received on August 21, 2013, (NIB 13-04) and authorize the solicitation of new bid proposals for the construction related to the Recreation Center.