

REPORT TO CITY COUNCIL

DATE: JUNE 22, 2005

TO: HONORABLE MAYOR AND MEMBERS OF THE CITY COUNCIL

FROM: GREG RAMIREZ, CITY MANAGER

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SUBJECT: AUTHORIZATION TO SEEK BIDS IN COMPLIANCE WITH PUBLIC CONTRACTS CODE SECTION 20166 FOR THE COMPUTERIZED TRAFFIC SIGNAL SYNCHRONIZATION PROJECT; NIB 04-06

On May 11, 2005, the City Council approved the plans, specifications and estimates (PS&E) for the Computerized Traffic Signal Synchronization Project, NIB 04-06, and authorized advertising for bids for the project.

A pre-bid meeting was scheduled for May 31, 2005, to acquaint all prospective bidders with this specialized project, the job site, specifications, review plans and to answer any questions. No potential bidders attended. Bid opening was June 7, 2005 at 2:00 P.M. No bids were submitted.

In cases where no bids are received for a project that is subject to the bidding requirements of State law, Public Contracts Code Section 20166 permits the City to complete the project through other means. Given the specialized nature of this project, staff recommends that the Council determine that no bids were received for the project and direct staff to proceed based on Public Contracts Code Section 20166.

Staff further recommends that the Council authorize staff to directly contact contractors qualified to do the work. Upon obtaining the proposals, staff will return to Council recommending the award of the construction contract to the lowest responsive and responsible bidder.

RECOMMENDATION

Staff respectfully recommends the City Council determine no responsive bids were received for the Computerized Traffic Signal Synchronization Project and direct staff to proceed with the effort to complete this project pursuant to Public Contracts Code Section 20166. The appropriate motion in this case would be:

“I move that the City Council determines no responsive bids were received for the Computerized Traffic Signal Synchronization Project, and the City Council directs staff to proceed with the effort to complete this project pursuant to Public Contracts Code Section 20166.”