



February 21, 2017

HONORABLE MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL
City of Long Beach
California**RECOMMENDATION:**

Adopt Specifications No. ITB GO 17-004 and award contracts to Tri Pacific Supply, Inc., of Rocklin, CA, and Ferguson Enterprises, Inc., of Long Beach, CA, for furnishing and delivering polyethylene plastic pipe and fittings on an as-needed basis, for a total aggregate annual amount not to exceed \$400,000, for a period of two years, with the option to renew for two additional one-year periods, at the discretion of the City Manager. (Citywide)

DISCUSSION

City Council approval is requested to enter into contracts with Tri-Pacific Supply, Inc., and Ferguson Enterprises, Inc., for the as-needed purchase of polyethylene (PE) pipe and fittings to be used by Long Beach Gas and Oil (LBGO) and its contractors for the repair, maintenance, and construction of the City's natural gas pipeline system, which is necessary for the safe and efficient delivery of natural gas to LBGO customers in Long Beach and Signal Hill.

The bid was advertised in the Long Beach Press-Telegram on September 21, 2016, and 4,133 potential bidders specializing in pipe and fittings were notified of the bid opportunity. Of those bidders, 24 downloaded the bid via the City's electronic bid system. The bid document was made available from the Purchasing Division, located on the seventh floor of City Hall, and the Division's website at www.longbeach.gov/purchasing. A bid announcement was also included in the Purchasing Division's weekly update of Open Bid Opportunities, which is sent to 22 local, minority, and women-owned business groups. Two bids were received on October 4, 2016. Of those two bidders, one was a Minority-owned Business Enterprise (MBE), one was a Women-owned Business Enterprise (WBE), none were certified Small Business Enterprises (SBEs), and one was a Long Beach business (Local).

Local Business Outreach

In an effort to align with the City's outreach goal, Long Beach businesses are encouraged to submit bids for City contracts. The Purchasing Division also assists businesses with registering on the PlanetBids database to download the bid specifications. Through outreach, 369 Long Beach vendors were notified to submit bids, of which 3 downloaded or submitted a bid. The Purchasing Division is committed to continuing to perform outreach to local vendors to expand the bidder pool.

This matter was reviewed by Deputy City Attorney Richard F. Anthony on January 27, 2017 and by Revenue Management Officer Geraldine Alejo on January 30, 2017.

TIMING CONSIDERATIONS

City Council action to adopt Specifications No. ITB GO 17-004 and award contracts concurrently is requested on February 21, 2017, to ensure the contracts are in place expeditiously.

FISCAL IMPACT

The aggregate annual contract amount will not exceed \$400,000, and is budgeted in the Gas Fund (EF 301) in the Long Beach Gas and Oil Department (GO). There is no local job impact associated with this recommendation.

SUGGESTED ACTION:

Approve recommendation.

Respectfully submitted,



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APPROVED:



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CITY MANAGER