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## Board of Water Commissioners

CHRISTOPHER J. GARNER, General Manager

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### Subject

Adopt Specifications WD-07-22 for the drilling of Water Wells Alamitos 9A and Alamitos 14 Project (O-0749) and authorize the General Manager to sign a construction contract with Best Drilling and Pump, Inc., in an amount of \$5,505,609.

### Executive Summary

On April 1, 2022 and April 8, 2022, staff published the Notice of Inviting Bids for the drilling of Water Wells Alamitos 9A and Alamitos 14 Project (O-0749) as required by Public Contract Code Section 22037. This project is for the drilling of two new groundwater production wells, Alamitos 9A and Alamitos 14. The work includes drilling of the two wells, associated testing and surveys, and installation of well casing, gravel packs, and other work to complete well construction. The work also includes demolition of the existing Well Alamitos 9, above and below grade piping, and electrical system.

On April 28, 2022, two (2) bids were received and opened. The bid tabulation is attached. After evaluating all bids received, the lowest responsive bid submitted by Best Drilling and Pump, Inc., in the amount of \$5,505,609 was found to be in conformance with the bid documents.

The Engineer's estimate is \$4,991,254.

### Recommendation

Adopt Specifications WD-07-22 for the drilling of Water Wells Alamitos 9A and Alamitos 14 Project (O-0749) and authorize the General Manager to sign a construction contract with Best Drilling and Pump, Inc., in an amount of \$5,505,609.

**Fiscal Impact:** The cost to the Water Fund will be incurred during FY 22 and FY 23 with the annual amounts unknown at this time, but the total amount will not exceed the contract total of \$5,505,609. These costs are included in the Water Fund FY 22 Budget and will be included in the FY 23 Budget.

Robert J. Verceles  
Director of Engineering/Chief Engineer

Christopher J. Garner  
General Manager

Attachment

**Construction for  
Drilling of Water Wells Alamitos 9A and Alamitos 14 Project  
WD-07-22 / O-0749**

Rank	Vendor	Identification/ Certification	Total Bid
1	Best Drilling and Pump, Inc.	Undisclosed	\$5,505,609
2	Layne Christensen Company	None	\$6,153,114
		Average Bid	\$5,829,362
		Engineer's Estimate	\$4,991,254

DBE: Disadvantaged Business Enterprise	SBE: Small Business Enterprise
MBE: Minority Business Enterprise	VSBE: Veteran-owned Small Business Enterprise
MIC: Microbusiness	WBE: Women-owned Business Enterprise
OSB: California Office of Small Business	LBSBE: Long Beach Small Business Enterprise

The Notice Inviting Bids (NIB) document was made available from the Purchasing Division website at <https://www.longbeach.gov/finance/business-info/purchasing-division/>.

- 596 potential vendors were notified of this opportunity
- 27 prospective bidders downloaded the Bid document

An NIB announcement was also included in the City's Purchasing Division's weekly update of Open Bid Opportunities, which is sent to 38 local, minority-owned, and women-owned business groups.

- 2 bids were received on April 28, 2022 (see above matrix)

**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 City's Purchasing Division also assists businesses with registering on the PlanetBids database to download plans and specifications.

- 40 Long Beach vendors were notified to submit bids
- 1 downloaded the plans and specifications
- 0 submitted a bid