



Item: Natatorium Boiler Replacement O. F. 1393.4
From: Great Falls Park and Recreation
Initiated By: Park and Recreation & Public Works - Engineering
Presented By: Marty Basta, Park and Recreation Director
Action Requested: Consider Bids and Approve Contract

Suggested Motion:

1. Commissioner moves:

"I move the City Commission award a contract in the amount of \$94,725.00 to A.T. Klemens, Inc. for the Natatorium Boiler Replacement, O. F. 1393.4, and authorize the City Manager to execute the construction contract documents."

2. Mayor calls for a second, discussion, inquiries from the public, and calls for the vote.

Staff Recommendation: Staff recommends that the City Commission award a construction contract for the boiler replacement to A.T. Klemens, Inc. for \$94,725.00.

Background:

Purpose

The Great Falls Natatorium receives its building heat and pool water heat from a 45 year old cast iron boiler that operates at an estimated efficiency of 70 percent. City staff attained a Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) to assist in the replacement of this older boiler with a more efficient new system. GPD PC Consulting Engineers (GPD) was contracted to design the replacement of the boiler.

Significant Impacts

The new boiler system will include two smaller cast iron sectional boilers and will operate at an estimated efficiency of 85 percent with higher efficiencies possible. The increased efficiency of the boiler system will reduce the operating costs associated with heating the pool and facility. The use of two smaller boilers will provide for redundancy in the system.

Workload Impacts

GPD designed the project and will perform construction inspection of the contract. City engineering staff assisted with the project management and will administer the contract.

Project Work Scope

The project will remove the existing cast iron hot water boiler and procure and install two smaller natural gas multi-pass low temperature cast iron sectional boilers along with ancillary modifications to the boiler circulation piping, venting system, boiler controls and electrical systems. The work will be substantially completed within 30 calendar days after the issuance of the notice to proceed and prior to November 21, 2012. If the 21st of November deadline cannot be met, the notice to proceed will be postponed until the spring.

Evaluation and Selection Process

Two bids were received on September 5, 2012 with the bids ranging between \$102,200.00 and \$94,725.00. A.T. Klemens submitted the low bid.

Conclusion

City staff recommends awarding the contract to A.T. Klemens in the amount of \$94,725.00.

Fiscal Impact:

The attached bid tabulation summarizes bids that were received. A Community Development Block Grant in the amount of \$91,464.00 along with \$3,261.00 from the Park and Recreation Swimming Pools – Mechanical and Equipment fund will be used to pay for the construction contract, while \$9,000.00 has been provided by the Swimming Pools fund to fund the engineering contract with GPD.

Alternatives:

The City Commission could vote to deny award of the construction contract and re-bid or cancel the project.

Attachments/Exhibits:

1. Bid tabulation is attached.

