



City Council Report

Date: January 7, 2019
To: City Council
Through: Michael Kennington, Chief Financial Officer
From: Edward Quedens, Business Services Director
Matt Bauer, Procurement Administrator
Subject: Dollar Limit Increase to the Term Contract for Emergency Electric Line Crew Services for the Energy Resources Department **(Citywide)**

Recommendation

Council is requested to approve the contract amendment as recommended.

The Energy Resources Department and Purchasing recommend increasing the dollar limit with NPL Construction Co. (Primary Award) and Wilson Construction Co. dba Wilson Utility Construction Co. (Secondary Award) by \$400,000, from \$295,000 to \$695,000 for Year 5 through 8/31/2019.

Background

This contract provides standby/on-call emergency response electric line service crews to perform emergency repair work on the City's electric transmission and/or distribution facilities as directed by Energy Resources Electric Utility. The repair work includes pole setting, hot line transfers, installing wire and cable, and general line work. The contract has established hourly rates including labor and equipment for three and four-man crews for standby/on-call emergency response electric line crew services as-needed during emergency conditions.

Since July 2018, Electric Utility has experienced several storm-related and other electric outage events requiring emergency electric line crew services to perform repairs and restore power to customers. In addition, vacant positions and employees on transitional duty has increased usage of electric line crew services for routine construction, installation of new services and capital projects.

Electric Utility issued a Request for Proposal for Electric Line Crew Services for routine (capital funded) distribution work and for emergency response. This determined hourly rates are minimally 8% higher than the pricing under this contract. It is in the City's best to increase the dollar limit for Year 5 (final year) through 8/31/2019 to ensure emergency electric line services and public safety should Electric Utility remain understaffed.

Purchase Information

Action: Amendment
Procurement Type: Request for Bids
Contract Number: 2014269

Original Council Award Date: 8/25/2014

Initial Contract Term: Three years

Funding Source: Energy Resources Department – Electric Utility operating budget