



Staff Report

September 8th, 2026, Council Regular Meeting

\$104,527.66, City Electric, Streetlight Pole Replacement, Maintenance, and Repair.
Unit Priced Contract not to exceed \$350,000.00 (Submitted by Will Noonan,
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BACKGROUND: The Streets Division within Public Works manages and maintains streetlights throughout the City. Replacement and repair of streetlights often require the assistance of an electrician or specialized contractor. In the past, the City solicited bids several times annually for streetlight work. This process is time-consuming for staff and can result in different contractors performing the work who may be unfamiliar with the City's streetlight standards.

To improve efficiency and consistency, the City utilizes a Unit Priced Contract (UPC), also referred to as an "on-call" public works contract. A UPC allows the City to competitively bid recurring public works needs and establish unit prices with a contractor for an indefinite quantity of work over a fixed period. This allows individual streetlight repairs and replacements to be completed as needed without separately bidding each project.

SUMMARY: The City completed a formal competitive bid process for the streetlight Unit Priced Contract, with bids due August 17, 2026. The City received eight bids.

Following bid opening, the apparent low bidder requested to withdraw its bid after it was determined that certain unit prices were submitted as hourly rates rather than on a per-unit basis. Following discussion with the contractor, the City accepted the withdrawal.

Staff recommends awarding the contract to City Electric as the lowest responsive bidder, with a bid of \$104,527.16. The contract has an initial three-year term with an option to renew for a fourth year, with a total contract amount not to exceed \$350,000.

BENEFITS TO THE COMMUNITY: The City operations crew and City residents will all benefit from consistent pricing and quicker response time for streetlight issues.

STRATEGIC PLAN: This project aligns with the Strategic Plan priority “Stewardship of City Assets” by supporting the ongoing maintenance and timely repair of the City’s streetlight infrastructure.

POTENTIAL CHALLENGES: There are current supply-chain issues for parts associated with replacement of streetlights. The streetlight poles, in particular, can take 6-10 months to arrive although, the City currently have a good inventory of replacement poles on hand.

BUDGET IMPACT: The cost estimate is \$104,527.66 annually. Streetlight maintenance and repair is an ongoing expense accounted for annually in the Street Fund, and the adopted budget has sufficient funding to support this activity.

RECOMMENDATION: Staff recommends that Council authorize a Unit Priced Contract with City Electric for streetlight replacement, maintenance, and repair for an initial three-year term, with an option to renew for one additional year, for a total contract amount not to exceed \$350,000.