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RECOMMENDED ACTION: Discuss and Consider Authorizing the Interim CEO or His Designee to Negotiate and Execute a Construction Contract with Landmark Structures I, L.P. for the Construction of the Conrads Elevated Storage Tank Project

BACKGROUND

On August 23, 2023, New Braunfels Utilities (“NBU”) issued a request for bids for the Conrads Elevated Storage Tank Project, previously known as the Goodwin Lane Elevated Storage Tank Project, which includes (i) construction of a 2.0 million gallon (“MG”) elevated storage tank (“EST”) including an access road, site lighting, a tank mixing system, fencing, and a tank logo; (ii) approximately 80 linear feet (“LF”) of 16-inch water main by open-cut between Conrads Lane and the Conrads EST; (iii) clearing and grubbing; (iv) traffic control; (v) storm water pollution prevention; (vi) site restoration; and (viii) all other appurtenances necessary to complete the Project (the “Project”). The Project will provide additional elevated storage capacity to serve future growth in the Kohlenberg Pressure Zone.

On September 18, 2023, NBU received two (2) bids for the Project during the public bidding process. The project team evaluated the bids and recommends the selection of Landmark Structures I, L.P. (“Landmark”) for the Project. Landmark was the lowest responsible bidder and submitted a base bid of \$7,336,000.

NBU staff requests that the Board of Trustees approve the Construction Contract Agreement (the “Agreement”) with Landmark for the Project.

This item is being presented to the Board because the total amount of the Contract exceeds \$250,000.

FINANCIAL IMPACT

The total financial impact of the Agreement with Landmark for the Project is \$7,336,000. The Project is budgeted within the fiscal year 2024 NBU Board approved Capital Improvements Projects Budget. Due to the project being pushed back a full year, construction will go into fiscal year 2025. The costs for this project will be updated within the proposed fiscal year 2025 through fiscal year 2029 Capital Improvements Projects Budget. Anticipating the need for project change orders, a contract contingency of \$400,000, approximately 5% of the total contract amount, will be added to the project construction budget. The total Contract amount plus contingency is \$7,736,000.

LINK TO STRATEGIC PLAN

Infrastructure and Technology

EXHIBITS

1. Construction Contract with Landmark
2. Letter of Recommendation from Freese and Nichols, Inc.
3. Bid Tab – (RFB #23-0013)

Bid Tab	
<i>Bidder</i>	<i>Total Cost</i>
Landmark Structures I, L.P.	\$7,336,000
Caldwell Tank, Inc.	\$11,137,000