



City of Needles, California Request for City Council Action

☒ CITY COUNCIL ☒ NPUA

☒ Regular ☐ Special

Meeting Date: May 13, 2025

Title: Award Bid from Pyramid Building and Engineering, Inc. for the Water Main and Manifold Improvements Project

Background: The City passed Emergency Resolution 2021-43 on August 10, 2021, pertaining to the fact that two (2) of the City's three (3) wells have manganese and/or iron levels exceeding levels set by the State of California for drinking water.

The City received emergency grant funding from the State of California's Drinking Water State Revolving Fund (DWSRF) (Project No. 3610032-006C, Amendment No. 3), to design and replace the treatment system at Well No. 11, install a standby generator and make other necessary improvements at the Well No. 11 site that would allow the removal of iron/manganese from the potable water. Phase 4B of the grant funding agreement includes the design and construction to demolish and replace the pipe manifold located at the golf maintenance yard; replace deteriorated distribution mains and service laterals along Monterey Avenue and Arizona Avenue; and replace the 6-inch distribution main on River Road near Park Drive.

Advertisement for bids was published on Feb. 27, 2025, and bids were opened on March 19, 2025. The following three (3) bids were received:

- Pyramid Building & Engineering, Inc. \$ 1,128,676.00
- Phillips Excavating, Inc. \$ 1,158,901.50
- Mike Bubalo Construction Co. Inc. \$ 2,402,932.00

TKE Engineering, Inc, City Contract Engineer completed a review of the three (3) bids and finds that Pyramid Building and Engineering Inc. has generally met the bid requirements and is deemed the lowest responsible and responsive bidder.

Fiscal Impact: Grant funding for Phase 4B of the DWSRF (Project No. 3610032- 006C) to reimburse the total project cost of \$1,241,544 contingent upon receiving Final Budget Approval by the State Water Resources Control Board.

Environmental Impact: The project is Categorically Exempt under CEQA Guidelines Section 15301 (Existing Facilities) and 15302 (Replacement or Reconstruction).

Recommended Action: Award Bid to Pyramid Building & Engineering, Inc. for the Water Main and Manifold Improvements Project in the amount of \$1,128,676 plus 10% contingency for a total project cost of \$1,241,544 contingent upon receiving Final Budget Approval by the State Water Resources Control Board; and, authorize staff to execute a Public Works Agreement with Pyramid Building and Engineering, Inc. and move forward with the Notice of Award and Notice to Proceed.

Submitted By: Kathy Raasch, Director of Development Services/Capital Projects

City Manager Approval: Patrick J. Martinez

Date: 5/7/2025

Other Department Approval (when required): Barbara DiLeo

Date: 5/8/2025

Approved: ☐

Not Approved: ☐

Tabled: ☐

Other: ☐