



City of Needles, California Request for Commission Action

☐ CITY COUNCIL ☒ BOARD OF PUBLIC UTILITIES ☒ Regular ☐ Special

Meeting Date: March 18, 2025

Title: Recommend Awarding a Contract to Shipley Construction through the Needles Public Utility Authority for the Purchase & installation of a 60' x 120' Steel building, including all site grading, driveway approach, concrete slab, installation of utilities, fencing, and ADA parking for \$585,697 and a 15% contingency of \$87,855 for a total project cost not to exceed \$673,552 to be funded by Electric Asset Replacement

Background: Included in the FY 25 Needles Public Utility Authority Capital Plan is the construction of a steel building for the electric department at the pole yard on California Avenue. This project has been requested by the electric department for several years.

The electric department currently lacks a dedicated storage facility for its fleet, heavy equipment, and inventory. At present, these assets are either stored outdoors, exposed to the elements, or housed in shipping containers. Extreme heat accelerates wear and tear on fleet vehicles, equipment, and inventory. The construction of this building will protect the NPUA's assets and increase the useful life of such assets.

Staff is requesting a recommendation from the Board of Public Utilities to the Needles Public Utility Authority to award Shipley Construction \$585,697 for the construction and a 15% contingency of \$87,855 for a total project cost of \$673,552.

Fiscal Impact: The Electric Asset Replacement Fund has a balance of \$3.5M as of January 31, 2025, with no outstanding obligations. The project will be fully funded from this source, with no anticipated impact on the general fund.

Environmental Impact: As of January 31, 2025, the Electric Asset Replacement fund has a balance of \$3.5M with no outstanding obligations

Recommended Action: Recommend Award to the Needles Public Utility Authority to Shipley Construction for the Purchase & installation of a 60' x 120' Steel building, including all site grading, driveway approach, concrete slab, installation of utilities, fencing, and ADA parking for \$585,697 and a 15% contingency of \$87,855 for a total project cost not to exceed \$673,552 to be funded by Electric Asset Replacement

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City Manager Approval: Patrick J. Martinez **Date:** 3/12/2025

Other Department Approval (when required): _____ **Date:** _____

Approved: ☐ Not Approved: ☐ Tabled: ☐ Other: ☐

Agenda Item: _____