



AGENDA ITEM ANALYSIS

Project/Issue Name: 23-R-22 A Resolution of the City Council Awarding the Bid for Aquatic Center Filtration System Repairs to Walden Chemical, Inc. D/B/A Bluewater CAS.

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Date: Tuesday, April 11, 2023

Issue Statement

A Resolution awarding the bid for filtration system repairs at the Republic Aquatic Center.

Discussion and/or Analysis

The current filtration systems at the Republic Aquatic Center are in need repair ahead of the 2023 season. We had several filtration issues in 2022 and our team worked diligently throughout the summer to keep the system functioning as best as possible. Due to the anticipated repairs, we allocated \$45,000.00 in the 2023 budget for the work. In preparation for getting the repairs moving, staff met with several aquatic consultants in February, and it was determined that we would need to broaden the scope of repair work further than what was initially thought when the Aquatic Center closed in September 2022. The broadened scope of repairs was anticipated to equal approximately \$60,000.00.

Due to the expenditure being expected to exceed \$50,000.00, a formal Invitation for Bid (IFB) document was made available on March 14 with a deadline of March 28 at 2:00. The scope of services included repair and replacement of several valves, cylinders, air hoses, and filter media (sand) in the main system and a new pump and filter media (sand) for the Flow Rider system.

As a result of the time frame necessary for the formal bid process and the broadened scope of work, City Administrator David Cameron classified this as an emergency repair at the City Council meeting on March 21, 2023, allowing us to move quickly after the bid opening due to the timeliness of needing repairs completed by May.

We received one (1) bid from Walden Chemical, Inc. dba Bluewater CAS in the amount of \$66,150.00. We have worked extensively with Walden Chemical (Bluewater) in the past and they are very familiar with our system.

Recommended Action

Staff recommends approval.