



CITY COUNCIL AGENDA REPORT

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DATE: September 8, 2026

TO: Honorable Mayor and Members of the City Council

FROM: Tyler Summersett, Community Development Director

SUBJECT: Consideration of a contract with Bear Electric for Traffic Signal Maintenance within the City of Sonora

RECOMMENDATION:

Consider Approval of a Contract with Bear Electric for Traffic Signal Maintenance within the City of Sonora

BACKGROUND:

The City of Sonora is responsible for maintaining five (5) signalized intersections. The County and the City share maintenance responsibilities for three (3) additional signalized intersections. All of these intersections ("traffic signals") require quarterly, semi-annual, and annual routine maintenance, as well as non-routine extra work and emergency maintenance extra work. Non-routine extra work may include modification and/or standardization of signal equipment, as funding becomes available.

DISCUSSION / ANALYSIS:

The City of Sonora partnered with Tuolumne County staff through its Public Works Roads Division ("County") to seek bids from qualified firms to provide professional traffic signal maintenance services for various signalized intersections within Tuolumne County and the City of Sonora. The selected Contractor was tasked with providing all labor, vehicles, tools, equipment, apparatus, facilities, and materials necessary to perform routine and non-routine traffic signal maintenance services in accordance with applicable Federal, State, and local regulations, Caltrans Standard Specifications and Standard Plans.

The service term is for one (1) year, with the option of two, two (2) year extensions. The maximum term of this contract is five (5) years. The City and County previously engaged in a similar contract beginning in August of 2021, which recently termed out, requiring a new Invitation for Bid (IFB) traffic signal maintenance services .

This IFB was let June 29, 2026, with the submittal period ending on July 24, 2026. Only one bid was received. The bidder was Bear Electric out of Modesto, Ca. Bear was the previous contractor for the City and County and the services they provided are well regarded.

Scope of Work for the project includes (not exhaustive):

- Routine (Quarterly, Semi-Annual, and Annual) maintenance services on an ongoing basis



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- Non-routine extra work and emergency maintenance extra work, on an as-needed basis
- Response to and make corrective action on all daytime service requests within two (2) hours weekdays (7:00 A.M. to 5:00 P.M.) and three (3) hours on weekday evenings (5:00 P.M. to 7:00 A.M.), weekends, and holidays
- Quarterly daylight (7:00 A.M. to 5:00 P.M.) inspection of all traffic signals and related equipment
- Quarterly nighttime (5:00 P.M. to 7:00 A.M.) inspection of all traffic signals and safety lighting
- Repair or replacement of traffic signal control devices

FISCAL IMPACT:

The City paid out roughly \$14,000 annually in previous years of this contract and a similar amount is budgeted moving forward. This includes annual maintenance costs in addition to on-call services requested by the City.

ATTACHMENTS:

Traffic Signal Maintenance Agreement

CORE COUNCIL PRIORITIES:

Fiscal Responsibility and Stability, Infrastructure and Engineering