



City Council Meeting Staff Report

Meeting Date: September 9, 2025

Subject: Consideration and Adoption of Resolution Amending the Project Construction Budget, Authorizing Change Order No. 1, Accepting the Project Improvements and Directing the Filing of a Notice of Completion for the Advanced Metering Infrastructure 6-Inch Water Service Meter Installation Project

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Recommendation:

Staff recommends that the Wheatland City Council adopt Resolution 42-25 (Attachment 1) authorizing the City Manager to amend the project construction budget by \$7,000.00, to execute contract change orders not to exceed the new authorized construction budget amount, accept the project as complete and file a notice of completion for the work performed by LaFleur Engineering, Inc. for the Advanced Metering Infrastructure (AMI) 6-inch Water Service Meter Installation Project.

Background/Discussion:

On April 23, 2025, the project for the replacement of the two 6-inch water meters was advertised as an informal bid process. Staff contacted ten contractors to invite them to submit a bid. On May 5, two bids were received, and both were several times higher than the engineer's estimate. Staff continued to invite contractors to bid. Through May 15, 2025, Staff contacted another eleven contractors. As of May 30th, two additional bids were submitted to the City.

On June 10, 2025, the City Council approved award of the construction contract to the low-bidder, LaFleur Engineering, Inc. of Orangevale, California in the amount of \$137,020.00 and authorized the City Manager to execute contract change orders not to exceed \$13,702.00 (10%) for a total contract value not to exceed \$150,722.00.

There was one contract change order (CCO) filed for the project. CCO No. 1 consists of one (1) extra 8-hour workday of non-contract time for labor and equipment because a full water service shut-down could not be achieved at the High School site on the scheduled workday. Valves located within the City's system were not functioning properly to shut off water to the site and allow the Contractor to complete the work. CCO No. 1 also includes additional concrete and 10 hours of extra, non-contract labor and equipment for additional excavation/exploration to align the new underground pipelines at the High School site to avoid unforeseen obstructions which included a bank of power conduits which was not mapped and an abandoned well. Also, additional concrete was necessary for thrust block support based on the alignment change.

The extra work performed was authorized by the City Engineer during construction.

The final negotiated order amount is anticipated to be \$19,432. Therefore, the remaining change order amount to be authorized is approximately \$5,730. The City Engineer is requesting an additional \$7,000.00 to cover unforeseen conditions for a revised contract maximum of \$157,722.00.

The City Engineer and Public Works Department have inspected the improvements and deemed them complete and constructed in accordance with the construction contract for the project. The City Engineer is recommending that the City accept the project as complete and file a notice of completion for the project.

Alternatives

None

Fiscal Impact:

The Project is funded entirely through external grants. The City is reimbursed for project expenditures in arrears. The Yuba Water Agency (YWA) awarded the City of Wheatland a \$700,000 grant for the City's Comprehensive Drinking Water Project as the local match to leverage an application to the State for additional grant funding. The Project was also selected for full funding through the Proposition 1 - Round 1 Integrated Regional Water Management (IRWM) Implementation Grant in the amount of \$682,347. With the above-noted match grant from YWA, the total grant to the City for the *Comprehensive Drinking Water Project* is \$1,382,347.

Attachments:

Attachment 1 – Resolution 42-25