

# **City Council Meeting Staff Report**

Meeting Date: February 11, 2025

Subject: Consideration and Adoption of Resolution Ratifying Agreement with BK Custom

Concrete for Emergency Corporation Yard Repairs

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#### Recommendation:

Adoption of Resolution 08-25 ratifying an agreement with BK Custom Concrete for emergency sinkhole repairs at the City of Wheatland Corporation Yard.

#### Discussion:

On April 11, 2024, City of Wheatland Public Works staff discovered a large and deep void in the ground at the City Corporation Yard at 208 Fourth Street in Wheatland. The subterranean void surfaced adjacent to a steel framed building that houses equipment, machinery, parts and supplies for the City's public works functions.

On April 12, 2024, investigations involving the City Manager, Public Works Director, City Engineer and a professional geologist began. The City's insurer, the California Intergovernmental Risk Authority (CIRA), was notified by the City Manager of the potential loss. On May 6, 2024, a property loss claim was filed with CIRA with an estimate cost of \$264,000 for services and construction costs to assess and repair the damage.

On September 24, 2024, the City Council adopted Resolution No. 43-24 which waived the formal bidding processes in accordance with California Public Contract Code Section 20168 and authorized the City Manager to execute any necessary agreements to repair damages.

The City Engineer and consulting geologist Blackburn Consulting worked with Public Works staff to determine probable causes, assess the extent of the damage incurred and develop a repair plan. A repair plan was developed and formulated into a bid package for informal bidding.

In October 2024 an advertisement for bids was posted on CIPlist.com, sent to local bid rooms and contractor associations, and several contractors specializing in foundation repairs and concrete work were directly solicited by the City Engineer. Contractors indicating interest in the work included: Pinnacle Home Services of Sacramento, Webb Construction of Wheatland, Groundworks-Commercial of California, and BK Custom Concrete of Yuba City.

Bid packages were sent to interested contractors. Three contractors performed site investigations in consideration of submitting bids and two declined to bid citing the higher risk associated with the project. One contractor was only willing to go further if the City performed more testing associated with a proprietary method of polyurethane injection which was determined not to be a proven or cost-effective option considering the size of the voids.

By November 11<sup>th</sup> only one contractor, BK Custom Concrete had submitted a bid for the project. The items on the bid form were broken into two phases. Phase 1 included stabilizing the building and higher risk areas such as the ground under the building by filling largest of voids with minimal ground disturbing activities.

Phase 2 work included remediation of lower risk shallow voids, surface level work and site restoration based on negotiated prices and time-and-materials work. All work except the filling of shallow voids directly under the building slab have been completed. The following is a summary of work items and costs:

Summary – BK Custom Concrete Contract	
Phase 1	
Shore Building & Stablilize Main Voids	\$29,226.00
Fill Augured Exploration Holes	\$ 2,325.00
Phase 2	
Fill Shallow Voids & Site Restoration	\$34,780.00
Fill Shallow Voids Under Building Slab*	\$ 8,000.00
TOTAL CONTRACT	\$74,331.00

<sup>\*</sup>estimated cost for time and materials work yet to be performed

## **Fiscal Impact:**

The current estimated total cost of the construction contract with BK Custom Concrete is \$74,331.00 with one item of work remaining to be completed. The City's insurance deductible of \$25,000 will be paid from the Water, Sewer, General and other associated funds (Project No.190045). The remainder of the costs in the amount of \$49,331.00 will be submitted under the City's insurance claim to CIRA.

### **Attachments**

Attachment 1 – Resolution 08-25

Attachment 2 – Contract with BK Custom Concrete