

COUNCIL ACTION FORM

**SUBJECT: WATER POLLUTION CONTROL FACILITY
ELECTRICAL TRANSFORMER REPLACEMENT PROJECT**

BACKGROUND:

On February 25, 2014, the City Council issued a Notice to Bidders for the WPC Facility Electrical Transformer Replacement Project. On April 10, 2014, the City received bids to provide all labor, equipment, materials, and other components necessary to complete the above-mentioned project according to the City's specifications. Bids were received as follows:

	Lump Sum Bid
Baker Electric, Des Moines, IA	\$109,411.00
Tri-City Electric Company of Iowa	\$110,690.00
Watts Electric Company	\$155,908.85

These three bids appear to be responsive. A fourth bid was submitted to the wrong location, was not sealed, and did not include the required bid bond. That bid was deemed nonresponsive and was not considered. Staff recommends awarding the contract to the low bidder, Baker Electric.

This project is scheduled in the 2013/14 Amended CIP as part of WPC Electrical System Maintenance Project at \$120,500. The engineering consultant's contract has already been awarded in the amount of \$9,500, leaving \$111,000 available for the work covered by this contract.

ALTERNATIVES:

1. Receive the report of bids submitted and accept the low lump sum bid of \$109,411 from Baker Electric of Des Moines, Iowa to provide all labor, equipment, materials, and other components necessary to complete the WPC Facility Electrical Transformer Replacement Project.
2. Receive the report of bids submitted and delay award of contract.
3. Do not accept bids at this time for the above-mentioned project.

MANAGER'S RECOMMENDED ACTION:

The electrical transformer is an integral and vital component of the Water Pollution Control Facility and is necessary for the operation of the plant. It is in the City's best interest to maintain this unit in a high degree of reliability. Therefore, it is the recommendation of the City Manager that the City Council adopt Alternative No. 1 as described above.