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COUNCIL ACTION FORM

SUBJECT: REPORT OF BIDS FOR FURMAN AQUATIC CENTER POOL BASIN REPAINTING PROJECT

BACKGROUND:

This project includes preparing and painting the surface of all three basins at the Furman Aquatic Center. The facility was first painted in 2009 and again prior to the 2017 season. It is recommended to paint the basins every five to seven years to protect the concrete from the chlorinated water.

On November 22, 2022, Council issued a notice to bidders. Staff received and opened three bids on December 21, 2022 which are summarized below.

BIDDER	BASE BID
Amusement Restoration Companies, Burnet, Texas	\$133,405
TMI Coatings, Inc., St. Paul, Minnesota	\$298,300
McGill Restoration Inc., Omaha, Nebraska	\$329,265

Jeff Bartley, Engineer with Water's Edge Aquatic Design, Lenexa, Kansas, developed the specifications and prepared a cost estimate. Mr. Bartley will also provide progress review visits during various stages of the process including surface prep, painting progress, and final completion. The Engineer's estimate for this project is as follows:

Engineer's Project Estimate:	
Crack Repair, Leveling, Prepare and Paint all Basins	\$202,000
Engineering	\$ 5,000
Total Project Estimate	\$207,000

Total funding available for this project is \$231,404.

Due to the disparity in the costs between the low bid and the two highest bids, staff is in the process of contacting references for Amusement Restoration Companies, Burnet, Texas. Staff has not received enough information at this time to make a recommendation.

ALTERNATIVES:

1. Accept the report of bids for the Furman Aquatic Center Pool Basin Repainting Project, and delay the award of contract.
2. Award a contract to Amusement Restoration Companies, Burnet, Texas, in the amount of \$133,405 for the Furman Aquatic Center Pool Basin Repainting Project.
3. Award a contract to one of the other bidders.
4. Accept the report of bids and reject all bids for the Furman Aquatic Center Pool>

CITY MANAGER'S RECOMMENDED ACTION:

Furman Aquatic Center is a valuable amenity to the community, and it is important that any work that is completed at the facility is completed with excellence to ensure safety for all users. This project has a large impact on the facility and staff wants to ensure the contractor is qualified to complete the work. **Staff would like more time to evaluate the lowest responsive bidder due to the disparity between the lowest and highest bids as well as the unfamiliarity with the contractor that submitted the lowest bid.**

Therefore, it is the recommendation of the City Manager that the City Council adopt Alternative No. 1. It is hoped that staff will be able to present a recommendation at the January 24 Council meeting.