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COUNCIL ACTION FORM

SUBJECT: SCAFFOLDING AND RELATED SERVICES AND SUPPLY CONTRACT FOR POWER PLANT

BACKGROUND:

This contract is to provide and install scaffolding, bracing, and fall protection as needed at the City's Power Plant. Most of the larger contracts for work at the Plant require the contractor to provide scaffolding. **This contract provides for scaffolding and related work for emergency and routine maintenance and repair work at the Plant.**

On July 23, 2024, City Council awarded a contract to Apache Industrial, of La Vista, Nebraska, with the option to renew up to four additional one-year contract periods. When confirming rates for the upcoming FY 2026/27 contract renewal, the current vendor indicated they were not able to renew the contract at the agreed upon annual increase, so staff needed to rebid the contract.

On May 1, 2026, an Invitation to Bid was posted on AmesBids by the City's Purchasing Division. On May 15, 2026, four bids were received as shown on the attached bid report.

Electric Services staff completed evaluation of the bids. The bids include costs for a variety of trade workers to conduct work. To evaluate these bids, staff compared each firm's bid to a Base Case Cost for Typical Scaffolding Requirements Scenario and the hourly rates and unit prices bid. **Staff determined that the apparent low bid from Apache Industrial, La Vista, Nebraska, is acceptable.**

The benefits of having a contract for these services in place include the following:

1. Consistency of work and quality from a single contractor.
2. Reduction in the City's exposure to market forces regarding prices and availability for labor, travel, and supplies in preparation for a scheduled outage.
3. Rapid contractor mobilization to start emergency repairs, thus reducing generation downtime.
4. City staff time saving in obtaining quotes, evaluating bids, and preparing specifications and other procurement documentation.

The approved FY 2026/27 Power Plant operating budget includes \$90,000 for these services. Invoices will be based on contract rates for time and materials for services actually received.

ALTERNATIVES:

1. Approve the contract with Apache Industrial, La Vista, NE, for Scaffolding and Related Services and Supply Contract at the Power Plant for the one-year period from July 1, 2026 through June 30, 2027 in an amount not-to-exceed \$90,000.
2. Award a contract to one of the other bidders.
3. Reject the bid and instruct staff to seek new competitive bids.

CITY MANAGER'S RECOMMENDED ACTION:

This contract is needed to carry out emergency and routine scaffolding services at the Power Plant. The contract will establish rates for service and provide for guaranteed availability, thereby setting in place known rates for service. Therefore, it is the recommendation of the City Manager that the City Council adopt Alternative No. 1 as stated above.

ATTACHMENT(S):

[Bid Tabulation by Supplier Spreadsheet with Scenario.pdf](#)