COUNCIL AGENDA: AUGUST 5, 2014

SUBJECT: REJECT ALL BIDS - ANIMAL SHELTER PROJECT

SOURCE: Public Works Department - Engineering Division

COMMENT: On July 24, 2014, staff received seven (7) bids for the Animal Shelter Project. The proposed project consists of furnishing all labor, materials, equipment, transportation, and services for the construction of the new Animal Shelter on the north side of Grand Avenue, west of Prospect Street.

The design architect's estimate of probable cost for the construction is \$1,230,000. The low bid for the project exceeded the design architect's estimate of probable cost by 86.6%. It should be noted that there was less than a 0.2% difference between the 1st and 2nd bidder and that the top 6 bidders were all within 7.5% of each other.

It is City Council's policy to reject all bids when the low bid exceeds 10 percent of the Engineer's Estimate. Staff is therefore recommending that Council reject all bids for the Animal Shelter Project. If the Council chooses to re-advertise the project, the project plans and specifications must be modified to reflect a "leaner" project that has a reasonable chance of matching available project funding. Another significant point is the matter of prevailing wage. The project, if re-advertised, must be awarded before December 30, 2014 if the City is to pay non-prevailing wage rates in compliance with SB7.

The bids are as follows:

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1.	Webb & Son Porterville, CA	\$2,295,000
2.	Mark Wilson Construction Inc. Fresno, CA	\$2,300,000
3.	Superior Construction Bakersfield, CA	\$2,324,900
4.	Cooper Chase Construction. Fresno, CA	\$2,402,204
5.	Forcum/Mackey Construction Inc. Ivanhoe, CA	\$2,453,000
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6. Marko Construction Group Inc. \$2,464,000 Fresno, CA

7. JTS Construction Bakersfield, CA

\$2,669,400

RECOMMENDATION:

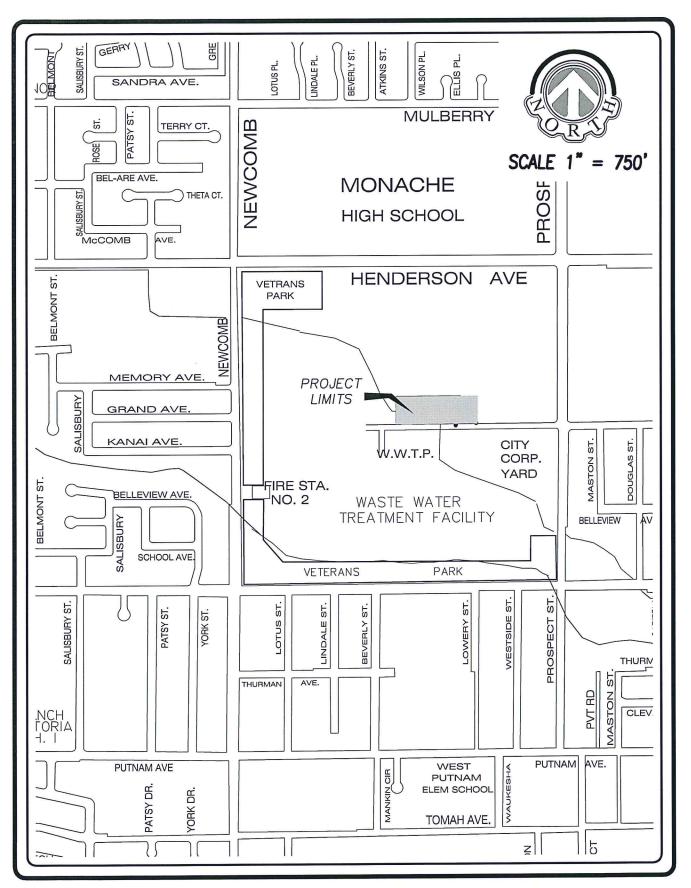
That City Council:

1. Reject all bids for the Animal Shelter Project.

ATTACHMENT:

Locator Map

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PROJECT LOCATION MAP