

COUNCIL ACTION FORM

SUBJECT: WATER TREATMENT PLANT HANDRAIL MODIFICATIONS PROJECT

BACKGROUND:

Construction of the new Water Treatment Plant (WTP) was completed in 2017. Tours of the WTP are a valuable public outreach opportunity. In partnership with the Inspections Division, several handrail areas were identified as needing modifications to better protect the public after a public tour path was identified.

The City Council issued a notice to bidders on June 25, 2019, for a project to modify the handrails. Three bids were received.

Bidder	Total Price
Minturn, Inc.	\$79,800
Woodruff Construction, LLC	\$135,859
HPC, LLC.	\$170,000

The engineer's estimate for this work is \$53,600. Staff recommends rejecting the bids and reevaluating the scope of work to bring the cost down. Options include bidding part of the work and having WTP staff do the remainder or having WTP staff do all the work. Staff is also exploring the cost to completely replace a portion the handrails.

ALTERNATIVES:

1. Receive the report of bids; and reject all bids and do not award a contract at this time.
2. Accept the low bid and direct staff to proceed with the modifications to the handrails.

CITY MANAGER'S RECOMMENDED ACTION:

The bids received were higher than staff was anticipating for the scope of work requested. After receiving the bids, staff has concluded that the scope of work solicited is not the most appropriate way to proceed. Staff intends to evaluate the possibility of performing all or a portion of the modifications in-house with City labor, and to attempt to secure pricing to replace a portion of the handrails in lieu of modifying them from the original manufacturer. Therefore, it is the recommendation of the City Manager that the City Council adopt Alternative No.1, as described above.