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City Council Memorandum

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TO: HONORABLE MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL **DATE:** FEBRUARY 24, 2026

FROM: PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT **WARDS:** ALL

SUBJECT: AWARD BID NO. 8183 TO SERVITEK ELECTRICAL INC. OF NORWALK, CALIFORNIA, FOR A CONSTRUCTION CONTRACT FOR HIGHWAY SAFETY IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM (HSIP) CYCLE 11 CITYWIDE RETROREFLECTIVE BACKPLATES AND RIGHT-TURN OVERLAP, IN THE AMOUNT OF \$3,126,989 PLUS A 10% CONTINGENCY, FOR THE CITYWIDE TRAFFIC SAFETY IMPROVEMENT PROJECT FOR A TOTAL AMOUNT OF \$3,439,688

ISSUE:

Award Bid No. 8183 for the construction of Highway Safety Improvement Program (HSIP) Citywide Retroreflective backplates and right-turn overlap to Servitek Electrical Inc of Norwalk, California, in the amount of \$3,126,989 plus a 10% contingency, for the citywide traffic safety improvement project for a total amount of \$3,439,688.

RECOMMENDATIONS:

That the City Council:

1. Award a construction contract for Bid No. 8183 for the construction of Highway Safety Improvement Program (HSIP) Cycle 11 Citywide Retroreflective Backplates and Right-Turn Overlap to Servitek Electrical Inc of Norwalk, California, in the amount of \$3,126,989 plus a 10% contingency, for the citywide traffic safety improvement project for a total amount of \$3,439,688; and
2. Authorize the City Manager, or designee, to execute the Construction Contract with Servitek Electrical Inc, including making minor and non-substantive changes, subject to the availability of budgeted funds.

BACKGROUND:

The purpose of the Federal Highway Safety Improvement Program (HSIP) is to achieve a significant reduction in traffic fatalities and serious injuries on all public roads. Agencies are eligible to receive up to \$10 million through this program. The HSIP grant allows the installation of Proven Safety Countermeasures determined by the Federal Highway Administration (FHWA). On May 9, 2022, the California Department of Transportation announced the HSIP Cycle XI Call for Projects. Applications were due September 12, 2022. HSIP Cycle XI is expected to include

approximately \$210 million in federal grant funds. Projects were selected based on a Benefit Cost Ratio Analysis, and some projects were funded through set-aside programs. The maximum amount an agency can be awarded is \$10 million.

On September 6, 2022, the City Council authorized the submittal of a traffic safety grant application to Caltrans for citywide signalized intersections and roadway safety improvements as well as pedestrian and bicycle safety improvements.

On March 9, 2023, Caltrans notified the Public Works Department that the City's grant application requesting HSIP Cycle 11 grant funding had been successful. On May 2, 2023, the City Council authorized the Public Works Department to accept grant funding through Caltrans HSIP Cycle 11 Program.

DISCUSSION:

On October 28, 2025, Bid No. 8183 for HSIP Cycle 11 Citywide Retroreflective Backplates and Right-Turn Overlap (Project) was posted on Planet Bids seeking prospective bidders to perform the following work at various locations throughout the City to construct retro-reflective signal backplates at all traffic signal heads citywide and installation of near-side right-turn overlap five-section signal heads at eighteen (18) intersections.

The intersections selected for improvements are near local schools, parks, and shopping centers. The installation of the proven safety countermeasures will benefit local communities by making vital traffic safety improvements which can heighten driver awareness and are anticipated to reduce traffic collisions citywide. The traffic safety improvements are also supported by the Local Roadway Safety Plan (LRSP) and the Riverside PACT (Pedestrian Target Safeguarding Plan, Active Transportation Master Plan, Complete Streets Ordinance, and Trail Master Plan).

Prior to bid opening, there were 76 City of Riverside registered vendors notified and 33 prospective bidders on the list. The City did not schedule a pre-bid job walk. Eighteen (18) questions were submitted by prospective bidders and addressed by the City. No addenda were issued by the City for this advertisement. The Request for Bids notification is summarized in Table 1:

Table 1 – Bidding Notification Summary Table

Action	Number of Vendors
City of Riverside Registered Vendors Notified	76
Vendors Who Downloaded Bid No. 8183	33
Questions Received	18
Addenda Issued	0
Bids Received	8

On November 25, 2025, eight (8) bids were received for the construction of the Project (Attachment 3). One bid was deemed non-responsive due to the bidder's failure to upload the required bid proposal forms. The lowest responsive and responsible bid was received from Servitek Electrical, Inc. of Norwalk, California in the amount of \$3,126,989, which is 39.16% below the original Engineer's Estimate of \$5,139,950 and outlined in Table 2.

Table 2 – Bid Summary

Bidder	Amount:	Ranking
Servitek Electrical, Inc.	\$3,126,989.00	1
Econolite Systems, Inc.	\$3,282,585.39	2
Select Electric, Inc.	\$3,475,879.00	3
Bear Electrical Solutions	\$4,179,625.00	4
Yunex, LLC	\$4,462,011.00	5
California Professional Engineering, Inc.	\$4,872,970.00	6
PTM General Engineering Services, Inc.	\$5,419,019.00	7
*Elecnor Belco Electric, Inc.	\$4,471,428.00	N/A

*Non-responsive (failed to upload the required bid proposal forms)

Per Purchasing Resolution 24101, Article Five, Section 508 states, “Contracts procured through Formal Procurement shall be awarded by the Awarding Entity to the Lowest Responsive and Responsible Bidder.”

The Purchasing Manager concurs that the recommended actions comply with Purchasing Resolution 24101, Section 508.

FISCAL IMPACT:

The total fiscal impact of the action is \$3,439,688 which includes a ten percent 10% change order authority (COA) in the amount of \$312,699. The ten percent (10%) COA allows the project to better absorb material and other cost overruns.

The estimated total construction cost including design engineering, construction, contingencies and contract administration is itemized in Table 3. Funding to support the contract award and contingencies are listed in Table 4 below.

Table 3. Project Costs

Task	Amount
Construction Contract (Servitek Electrical, Inc.)	\$3,126,989
Construction Contingencies (10%)	\$312,699
Subtotal (Total Fiscal Impact)	\$3,439,688
Construction Engineering, Inspection, and Administration	\$155,000
Total	\$3,594,688

Table 4. Project Funding

Fund	Project	Account	Amount
Capital Outlay-Grant	Signal Backplate LPI Mission Inn	9925328-440125	\$2,875,750
Measure A		9925330-440313	\$718,938
		Total	\$3,594,688

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Approved as to form: Rebecca McKee-Reimbold, Interim City Attorney

Attachments:

1. Project Location Map
2. Bid Award Recommendation
3. Presentation