



**AWARD BID NO. 2522999 TO HOT LINE  
CONSTRUCTION, INC, FOR LA SIERRA UNIVERSITY  
TRANSFORMER REPLACEMENT PROJECT, IN THE  
AMOUNT OF \$49,268.07 AND WORK ORDER 2522999  
FOR A TOTAL CAPITAL EXPENDITURE OF \$94,927.88**

## **Energy Delivery**

### **Board of Public Utilities**

April 13, 2026

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## **BACKGROUND**

1. La Sierra University is currently served by a 3000 kVA stepdown transformer (12kV to 4kV) installed in 1973
2. The transformer has exceeded its useful service life, and recent diagnostic testing has identified significant internal deterioration, indicating a high risk of failure
3. Due to its advanced age and deteriorating condition, proactive replacement is essential to prevent an in-service outage and ensure continued reliability for the University



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## DISCUSSION

1. This project will replace aging distribution facilities and associated electric equipment serving La Sierra University
2. All work will be completed in accordance with current design and construction standards
3. The upgrades will ensure dependable, long-term power delivery to the University
4. RPU issued the Request for Bid to qualified and pre-approved contractors through Energy Delivery's Contractors panel



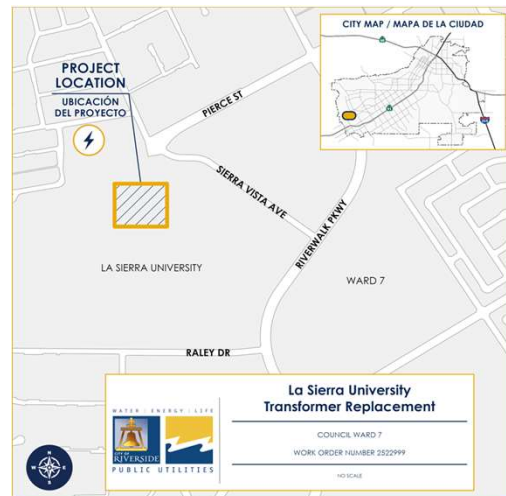
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## PROJECT LOCATION

1. The project is located on La Sierra University Campus, on Heritage Way, south of Sierra Vista Avenue and Pierce Street intersection
2. Electric service disruptions will be coordinated to minimize impact to the University



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## SCOPE OF WORK

1. Installation of a slab box and concrete pad for the replacement of a 3,000 kVA, transformer
2. Replace existing transformer
3. Installation of eight (8) feet of conduit and approximately five (5) feet of trench
4. Installation of approximately eighty (80) circuit feet of underground feeder cable
5. Approximately two (2) weeks to complete scope of work
6. Civil work to be completed by Contractor
7. Electrical work to be completed by RPU field forces



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## BENEFITS

1. Increases electric system reliability and safety
2. Improves electric service and power quality to La Sierra University
3. Eliminate antiquated facilities that do not meet current design and construction standards
4. Replacing infrastructure beyond its useful life will reduce cost of planned replacement compared to reactive replacement
5. Streamline the bidding process for construction work
6. Ensures that Riverside's infrastructure is safely maintained and operated

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## BID RESULTS

1. On January 13, 2026, Informal Bid was sent to pre-approved vendors from RPU's Contractors panel
2. On January 14, 2026, RPU hosted a non-mandatory pre-bid meeting, with four (4) companies in attendance
3. On January 20, 2026, Bid No. 2522999 closed, and five (5) bids were received

**Informal Bid Notification Summary Table**

| Action                          | Number of Vendors |
|---------------------------------|-------------------|
| Vendors Notified                | 9                 |
| Vendors Who Acknowledge the RFB | 6                 |
| Proposals Received              | 5                 |

| VENDORS                            | CITY LOCATION        | BID AMOUNT         | RANK     |
|------------------------------------|----------------------|--------------------|----------|
| <b>Hot Line Construction, Inc.</b> | <b>Brentwood, CA</b> | <b>\$49,268.07</b> | <b>1</b> |
| W.A. Rasic Construction, Inc.      | Bell Gardens, CA     | \$56,860.00        | 2        |
| VCI Construction, LLC              | Upland, CA           | \$69,936.00        | 3        |
| E.E. Electric, Inc.                | Mira Loma, CA        | \$77,552.50        | 4        |
| Doty Bros. Equipment Company       | Norwalk, CA          | \$89,338.00        | 5        |
| Engineer's Estimate                |                      | \$38,948.00        |          |



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## PROJECT & FISCAL BREAKDOWN

| Work Type                     | Performed By:                  | Amount (\$) |          | % of Total:     |
|-------------------------------|--------------------------------|-------------|----------|-----------------|
| Design and Inspection         | RPU Engineering and Operations | \$7,115     |          | 8%              |
| Electrical Work               | RPU Field Forces               | Labor       | \$20,396 | \$33,618<br>35% |
|                               |                                | Equipment   | \$9,378  |                 |
|                               |                                | Materials   | \$3,844  |                 |
| Civil Construction (Contract) | Hot Line Construction, Inc.    | \$49,268.07 |          | 52%             |
| Contingency – 10% (Contract)  | Hot Line Construction, Inc.    | \$4,926.81  |          | 5%              |
| Work Order Total:             | \$94,927.88                    |             | 100%     |                 |
| Anticipated Start Date:       | June 2026                      |             |          |                 |
| Anticipated Duration:         | 2 Weeks                        |             |          |                 |



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## RECOMMENDATIONS

That the Board of Public Utilities:

1. Award Bid No. 2522999 to Hot Line Construction Inc., of Brentwood, California, for the La Sierra University Transformer Replacement Project, in the amount of \$49,268.07;
2. Approve Work Order No. 2522999 for the total capital expenditure of \$94,927.88 which includes all design, construction, construction support, contract administration, inspection, and construction change order authority costs for the La Sierra University Transformer Replacement Project; and
3. Authorize the City Manager, or designee, to execute any documents necessary to effectuate the project described herein, as well as the ability to make minor non-substantive changes in alignment with all purchasing policies.



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