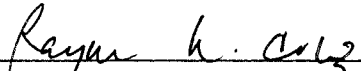


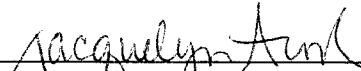


City of Carson Report to Mayor and City Council

October 15, 2013
New Business Consent

SUBJECT: CONSIDER REJECTING THE BID RECEIVED FOR NETWORKED FIRE ALARM SYSTEMS AND REISSUE A REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS FOR NETWORKED FIRE ALARM SYSTEMS


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Approved by Jacquelyn Acosta
Acting City Manager

I. SUMMARY

On April 4, 2013, a Request for Proposals (RFP) was circulated to solicit proposals from qualified firms to provide networked fire alarm systems for City facilities. JAM Fire Protection, Inc. was the only firm to respond to the RFP. Upon recommendation from the City Attorney, staff recommends that the City Council reject the single bid received and direct staff to reissue an updated RFP for networked fire alarm systems.

II. RECOMMENDATION

TAKE the following actions:

1. REJECT the bid received from JAM Fire Protection, Inc. for networked fire alarm systems.
2. DIRECT staff to reissue an RFP for networked fire alarm systems.

III. ALTERNATIVES

TAKE any other action the City Council deems appropriate.

IV. BACKGROUND

On April 4, 2013, an RFP was circulated to solicit qualified firms to provide networked fire alarm systems for City facilities. The RFP was extended to seven firms and a response was received from only one firm, JAM Fire Protection, Inc., at the close of the response period on April 25, 2013.

The vendor list for the RFP included firms located in Torrance, Los Angeles, Monrovia, Van Nuys and Tustin. The City Attorney has recommended that a new RFP be issued to cover a larger solicitation area, in the hope that a greater number of potential vendors will respond. Staff will update the vendor list to include as many firms as possible from all of Los Angeles and Orange Counties. Staff recommends that Council reject the bid received from JAM Fire Protection, Inc. for the networked fire alarm systems RFP and direct staff to reissue an RFP for networked fire alarm systems.

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V. FISCAL IMPACT

None.

VI. EXHIBITS

None.

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Action taken by City Council

Date _____ Action _____
