

**CITY OF ALBANY
CITY COUNCIL AGENDA
STAFF REPORT
Supplement with Bid Results**

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Subject: Public Safety/Civic Center Project

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SUPPLEMENTAL STAFF RECOMMENDATION

Authorize the City Administrator to execute a construction contract in the amount of \$7,852,700 with Sausal Corporation, San Leandro, CA for the seismic retrofitting of the Civic Center buildings, and additions and renovations to the Fire and Police Department buildings, Contract C 07-14, with authority for change orders up to 15 percent of contract amount.

BACKGROUND

See the initial staff report prepared for the April 7, 2008 agenda for background on this item.

BID RESULTS

The engineer's estimate for the construction work was \$9,630,000. The City received a total of seven (7) bids. Bids ranged up to \$11,000,000, but the four low bidders for the work recommended for award ranged only from \$7,852,700 to \$8,096,000, a range of only 3.1%.

The favorable bids below the engineer's estimate and within the project budget allows the City the opportunity to keep all the desired features included in the bid package and not exclude any items; this means that the City Council can include the 30KW photovoltaic system (i.e. solar roof panels), solar hot water for the Fire Department, fire sprinklers throughout, and standing seam metal roof in the contract award.

The bid results also allows the City to include in the contract award the bid alternate for replacing the floor covering and repainting the City Hall end of the building that will inevitably be necessary due to the wear and damage it will suffer during the construction.

It also allows the City the alternative of purchasing more sustainable quality casework (e.g. cabinets) and countertops for heavy-duty use in the Police and Fire Stations directly from the manufacturer’s representative under the State contract rather than having the contractor build the lower-quality cabinetry. While this alternative could cost an additional approximately \$200,000, their useful life would be sufficiently longer-lasting. Staff will return at a later date with a recommendation on this work, but recommends removing this alternative from the contract at this time.

Below is the table showing the results on the base bid and alternatives:

Contractor	Sausal	Bobo	BBI	John Plane
Base Bid	7,802,000	8,000,000	8,048,000	8,128,000
City Hall floor & paint	236,700	162,000	75,000	176,000
Subtotal	8,038,700	8,162,000	8,123,000	8,304,000
Less casework & countertops	186,000	180,000	200,000	208,000
Net Contract Cost	7,852,700	7,982,000	7,923,000	8,096,000

The bid results also allow the City Council to consider allocating project budget funds for both art work and landscaping at the Civic Center complex. Staff recommends placing these items on an upcoming City Council agenda.

CONCLUSION

With the project award, work will commence in the first part of May. As directed by the City Council, staff will have monthly reports to the City Council on the project and its progress.