



# CITY OF INGLEWOOD

## OFFICE OF THE CITY MANAGER



**DATE:** August 16, 2022

**TO:** Mayor and Council Members

**FROM:** Public Works Department

**SUBJECT:** Reject All Bids for Fire Hydrants Services in City of Inglewood FY2021-22  
(Bid No. CB-22-14)

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### **RECOMMENDATION:**

It is recommended that the Mayor and Council Members reject all bids received for Fire Hydrants Services in the City of Inglewood FY2021-22, per Bid No. CB-22-14.

### **BACKGROUND:**

The City of Inglewood (City) Water Service area covers approximately 4,600 acres within its corporate boundaries. Water is provided by the City's system to approximately 80% of the residents and businesses in the City. The remaining residences & businesses receive water services from either Golden State Water Company or the Cal-American Water Company. The City's water system consists of 152 miles of water main pipes and approximately 4,000 fire hydrants, which provide continuous fire protection service throughout the City.

Per Los Angeles County Fire Departments and their findings on the field, some existing fire hydrants are in need of repair and replacement. After the field visit, the Public Works staff has determined that it is imperative that the fire hydrants shall be serviced in ready, operational status for any emergency response.

### **DISCUSSION:**

On June 3, 2022, Public Works staff prepared and completed project specifications for Fire Hydrants Services in the City of Inglewood FY2021-22 (Bid No. CB-22-14).

On June 6, 2022, the City Purchasing Division posted an invitation to submit proposals in the *PlanetBids.com* bid services portal. Public Works staff also notified three prospective vendors through the vendors' website about a new bid.

On June 22, 2022, Public Works staff conducted a pre-bid meeting online via Zoom. One (1) attendee from one (1) prospective vendor (*iWater, Inc.*) attended the pre-bid meeting.

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**Mayor and Council Members**  
**Reject All Bids**  
**Fire Hydrants Services in City of Inglewood FY2021-22**  
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On July 13, 2022, the City Clerk's Office received and opened one (1) bid, as described in the following table:

| <b>Bid No. CB-22-14</b> | <b>Contractor</b>   | <b>Bid Amount</b> |
|-------------------------|---|-------------------|
| 1                       | <i>Pro-Craft Construction, Inc.</i><br>Redlands, CA 92373 | \$951,000         |

After reviewing the proposal, the Public Works staff determined that the proposal from the lowest bidder, Pro-Craft Construction, Inc. (Vendor), is unreasonable, and the vendor's proposed fee is excessively high. To avoid any issues or irregularities, the City can exercise its right to reject all bids based on the provisions of the bid specifications.

**FINANCIAL/FUNDING ISSUES AND SOURCES:**

N/A.

**DESCRIPTION OF ANY ATTACHMENTS:**

N/A.

**PREPARED BY:**

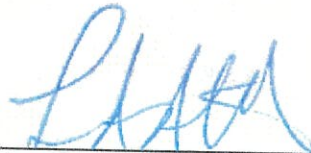
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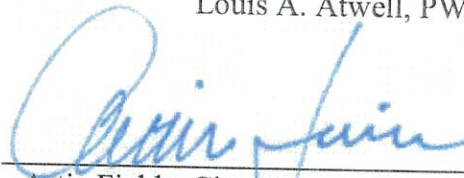
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