February 12, 2015

To:

Mayor Bemrich and City Council

From:

David Fierke, City Manager

Subject:

REJECTING BIDS FOR NEW VALVE OPERATING EQUIPMENT

ACTION:

For vote Monday, February 23, 2015

Brief History

The purpose of this quotation is to reject all bids for purchase and installation of new distribution valve operating equipment. We only received one bid from four different vendors and it was significantly higher than anticipated and above the amount budgeted for the equipment. The bid specifications will be changed to purchase the equipment only and be installed by city employees.

Analysis of Issue

The valve operating equipment bids were sought from four truck accessory dealers. Bids were solicited from the following companies :

Truck Bids

CompanyTotal BidHiway Truck Equip., Fort Dodge\$59,112.00

Hawkeye Truck Equip., Des Moines No bid

Elliot Equipment, Grimes No bid

Truck Equip., Des Moines No bid

Budget Impact

This is an approved expenditure through the Public Works Utilities Division Water Distribution funds as set aside by the City Council in the FY 2014/15 budget.

Strategic Plan Impact

Infrastructure Policy D.4.2: Advanced planning for all infrastructure facilities shall be supported and routinely updated. Facilities benefited by advanced planning shall include, at minimum, schools, health care, residential areas, roads, water, sewer, storm water management, parks, recreation and greenways.



Comprehensive Plan Impact

Not applicable.

Subcommittee or Commission Review / Recommendation

None.

Staff Conclusions / Recommendations

Staff recommends rejection of all bids.

<u>Alternatives</u>

None.

Implementation and Accountability

Upon City Council approval, all bidders will be informed of the bid rejection and the equipment will be rebid as parts only to be installed by city employees.

Signed

Merle Porter

Acting Superintendent of Public Works

Approved

David R. Fierke

City Manager