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To: Lemoore City Council **Item # 4**
From: Harry A. Tow, City Engineer
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Date: January 28, 2013
Subject: Bid Award – CNG Maintenance Facility

Discussion:

We were, in February 2012, requested by the City staff to prepare plans and specifications for the subject facility intended to provide a safe location for maintenance of compressed natural gas (CNG) fueled vehicles and equipment. The Engineer's and staffs' initial cost estimate for such a facility was approximately \$360,000. This estimate included the facility slab, a roof, a 60,000 pound lift, a 10,000 pound lift, hose reels, steam cleaner and space for an additional lift.

Since only \$250,000 was reported as available from CMAQ funding, the project was designed to include the 60,000 pound lift and hose reels, with the 10,000 pound lift and steam cleaner included as additive alternates to the base bid. (KCAG indicated that additional funding might become available for the additive alternates). The base bid plus additive alternates estimate was \$303,000. It should be noted that design, cost estimating and, presumably, bid preparation for this unique project was difficult even though the cost estimate was based in part on a manufacturer's pre-fabbed structure.

After Council authorization to seek bids (November 6, 2012), and a 21-day bid advertisement period, three bids were received. All three bids submitted listed the same CBC metal building as part of the bid. The low base bid was \$264,722.50, and was thus the basis for bid award. The low bidder's cost for the base bid plus the two additive alternates was \$279,622.50. (See attached bid summaries and corresponding contract cost estimates; complete bid documents have been separately submitted.)

The City staff obtained through KCAG additional funding to enable award of the base bid and additive alternates (see attached staff report re funding).

The low bidder is properly licensed and is a responsible bidder. He has previously bid and completed City projects.

Budget Impact:

Funded by CMAQ grant.

Recommendation:

Council consideration for award.