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Legislation Text

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Approve a contract with Abide Builders, Inc. of West Sacramento in the amount of \$245,255 to perform modifications for the Center for Positive Change project in the Probation Building at 475 Union Avenue in Fairfield; and Authorize the Director of General Services to execute all project related agreements and any modifications/amendments to the agreements within the established project budget

Published Notice Required? Yes No
Public Hearing Required? Yes No

DEPARTMENTAL RECOMMENDATION:

The Department of General Services recommends that the Board of Supervisors approve a contract with Abide Builders, Inc. of West Sacramento in the amount of \$245,255 to perform modifications for the Center for Positive Change project in the Probation Building at 475 Union Avenue in Fairfield; and Authorize the Director of General Services to execute all project related agreements and any modifications/amendments to the agreements within the established project budget.

SUMMARY:

The project consists of phased construction of interior space improvements to build three new conference rooms on the second floor, modify a portion of floor spaces for use by the Center for Positive Change and provide Americans with Disabilities Act modifications to the facility. The bid process was initiated on August 17, 2014 and the Project was advertised to the open marketplace as required by Public Contract Code and additional outreach to potential bidders was performed. A total of eight bids were received (Attachment A).

General Services is recommending that the Board approve an Agreement in the amount of \$245,255 with Abide Builders, Inc. (Attachment B) as the lowest responsible bidder to perform modifications for the Center for Positive Change project in the Probation Building at 475 Union Avenue in Fairfield, and delegate contractual signing authority to the Director of General Services to sign the contract and any modifications and amendments that fall within the established project budget.

FINANCIAL IMPACT:

The project is financed using AB109 State Realignment funds, which were included in the FY2014/15 Adopted Accumulated Capital Outlay Budget (BU 1793). There is no impact to the General Fund.

DISCUSSION:

The Notice to Bidders for the Project was advertised in the local newspaper on August 17, 2014 and August 24, 2014 and the construction documents were placed in four regional plan rooms for review by prospective bidders covering Solano-Napa, Sacramento, Contra Costa, and Marin Counties. The Notice to Bidders was sent to the Napa Solano Building trades Council and also posted on the County website and a link to the County's website with the Notice to Bidders was issued to contractors in the General Services database of General Contractors who have expressed an interest in bidding on County construction projects and the County's Uniform Construction Cost Accounting Act (UCCAA) Informal Bidders List database. A mandatory Pre-Bid Conference was held on August 26, 2014 with 20 firms in attendance. One Addenda was issued

responding to Requests for Information (RFI) and bids were received and publicly opened on September 18, 2014 in accordance with Public Contract Code requirements. A total of eight bids were received (Attachment A).

Based upon the bid analysis and evaluation process, County staff recommends that the construction agreement be awarded to Abide Builders, Inc. in the amount of \$245,255 and that contractual signing authority be delegated to the Director of General Services for project related contracts, modifications, and amendments that fall within the established project budget.

ALTERNATIVES:

1. The Board could reject the bids. This action is not recommended since it would terminate the Project and the improvements for the Center for Positive Change would not be delivered.
2. The Board could choose to re-bid the Project. This action is not recommended since the bid process was conducted in conformance with Public Contract Code. Re-bidding the Project would increase the overall project costs and delay implementation of the Project.
3. The Board could elect to not delegate contractual signing authority to the Director of General Services. This action is not recommended because it would increase complexity of contract administration and potentially increase the project cost and duration since necessary project actions may not coincide with the Board's meeting schedule.

OTHER AGENCY INVOLVEMENT:

Representatives from the County Administrator's Office, County Counsel, Probation, Sheriff's Office and Resource Management participated in the development and bidding of the Project. County Counsel provided legal guidance and approved the proposed Agreement as to form.

CAO RECOMMENDATION:

APPROVE DEPARTMENTAL RECOMMENDATION