

City of Hesperia STAFF REPORT



DATE: June 2, 2026

TO: Mayor and Council Members

FROM: Rachel Molina, City Manager

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SUBJECT: Bear Electric Solutions Contract Amendment

RECOMMENDED ACTION

It is recommended that the City Council authorize the City Manager to amend the existing contract with Bear Electrical Solutions for emergency response services and safety-equipment testing for the City's 32 traffic signals for an additional \$65,000 for a revised not-to-exceed contract amount of \$115,000 and approve a three-year contract extension.

BACKGROUND

The City maintains 32 traffic signals that require Emergency Vehicle Preemption (EVP) and Malfunction Management Unit (MMU) testing by a certified technician, as mandated under federal and state adoption of the Manual on Uniform Traffic Control Devices (MUTCD). This testing must be performed by a qualified provider, such as Bear Electrical Solutions.

In addition, during emergency situations, the City requires an on-call contractor capable of responding 24 hours a day to perform urgent repairs to traffic signal equipment that exceeds the capabilities of the City's Traffic Division.

The City also operates specialized adaptive traffic control equipment that requires advanced training to properly install, configure, and program. Bear Electrical Solutions was awarded a one-year contract as a result of a Request for Bid in August 2025 and possesses the necessary certifications and technical expertise to maintain this specialized equipment, ensuring proper operation and compliance with manufacturer requirements.

ISSUES/ANALYSIS

Bear Electrical Solutions' current contract is set to expire on June 30, 2026. The contractor has agreed to hold its pricing for Traffic Signal Maintenance and Emergency Response services for an additional three years. Based on the high-quality work performed during the current fiscal year, staff recommends extending Bear Electrical Solutions' contract through Fiscal Year 2028-29.

CITY GOAL SUPPORTED BY THIS ITEM

Public Safety- Ensure public safety resources adequately protect our community

Financial Health- Maintain a balanced budget and adequate reserves

FISCAL IMPACT

Sufficient funding will be included in the Fiscal Year 2026-2027 Operating Budget.

ALTERNATIVE(S)

1. Provide alternative direction to staff.

ATTACHMENT(S)

None