

# City of Hesperia

## STAFF REPORT



**DATE:** September 17, 2019

**TO:** Mayor and Council Members

**FROM:** Nils Bentsen, City Manager

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**SUBJECT:** Reject Bid Received for Hesperia Police Station Gate Replacement Project

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### RECOMMENDED ACTION

It is recommended that the City Council reject the bid received from Fence Works, Inc. on August 12, 2019, for the Hesperia Police Station Gate Replacement Project.

### BACKGROUND

The Police Station has four points of access, two gates on Ninth Avenue, one gate on Eighth Avenue, and one gate in the parking lot of the Police Station on Smoke Tree Street. The gates are very long (up to 30 feet), very heavy (nearly 6,400 lbs. each), and are noisy when opening, causing the City the need to reduce the speed of the gates opening and closing so as to not disturb neighboring residential areas.

The gates require maintenance on a regular basis to continue operating, and at times malfunction. To date, the City has spent \$25,000 to fix the gates due to malfunction or maintenance. Due to the malfunctions and maintenance costs, the City proposed the removal and replacement of the four gates with lighter gates. This was also to increase the longevity of extraneous parts, such as the wheels and v-tracks, and to decrease the noise of the gates and increase the speed of the gate operation.

The City also proposed, as an alternate bid, the replacement of the two gate operators on Ninth Avenue, which operate on DC drive power. The reason for this proposed change was that the Ninth Avenue gates malfunction due to the batteries not being able to withstand the many opening and closings per day that are demanded of the system.

### ISSUES/ANALYSIS

Advertisement to solicit bids for the project began on July 11, 2019. In addition, notification was released via the City's Public Purchase electronic bidding platform. Received bids were opened and publicly read by the City on August 12, 2019. Only one contractor participated in the bid process as follows:

Fence Works, Inc. in the amount of \$111,515 for the Base Bid and \$24,800 for the Alternate Bid for a total of \$136,315

The bid received from Fence Works, Inc. is substantially more than anticipated. In accordance with California Public Contract Code Section 20166, staff is recommending that the City reject the bid.

**FISCAL IMPACT**

There is no fiscal impact associated with approval of the recommended action.

**ALTERNATIVE(S)**

1. Provide alternative direction to staff.

**ATTACHMENT(S)**

None.