



CITY OF SAINT PAUL

ALASKA

RESOLUTION 22-11

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING AN EXCEPTION TO COMPETITIVE BIDDING AND/OR PRICING QUOTES FOR SAINT PAUL MUNICIPAL ELECTRIC UTILITY IMPROVEMENT PROJECT

WHEREAS, the City Code of Ordinances (CCO) Title 4 – Revenue and Finance, Chapter 4.15 – Purchasing, Section 4.15.030(b) requires a competitive bid process for purchases over \$150,000; and,

WHEREAS, Section 4.15.30 allows for exceptions to the competitive bid process by an authorizing resolution of the City Council; and,

WHEREAS, the Council of the City of Saint Paul, Alaska approved Resolution 20-03 on January 22, 2022 authorizing an exception to the competitive bidding and/or pricing quotes for Saint Paul Municipal Electric Utility upgrades; and,

WHEREAS, the City contracted with Current River Electric (CRE), Gray Stassel Engineering (GSE), and Northern Generation & Power (NGP) to perform the following upgrades to the gensets, fuel system, switchgear, and airport feeder line; and,

WHEREAS, CRE, GSE, and NGP failed to perform these upgrades either completely, in a timely manner or not at all; and,

WHEREAS, the City terminated any and all contracts with CRE, GSE, NGP to perform said upgrades to the Saint Paul Municipal Electric Utility; and,

WHEREAS, the City contracted with Electric Power Systems, Inc. (EPS) to evaluate what has been completed and a path forward to complete the electric utility upgrades; and,

WHEREAS, the City contracted with 49th State Power, LLC (49th State) to pick up the John Deere gensets that were purchased by CRE and assemble and test the engines prior to shipping to Saint Paul Island; and,

WHEREAS, Electric Power Constructors, LLC (EPC), Electric Power Systems, LLC (EPS) and Mechanical Builders, Inc. (MBI) provided the City with a quote to perform the following upgrades at the Saint Paul Municipal Electric Utility:

1. Fuel System Replacement (*see attached*)
2. Switchgear Replacement (*see attached*)
3. Airport Feeder Line Replacement (*see attached*)
4. G&W Switch Replacement (*see attached*); and,

WHEREAS, 49th State provided the City with a quote to perform assemble and test three new John Deere gensets. The City will incur additional costs for installation on site and commissioning; and,

WHEREAS, EPS, EPC, MBI and 49th State are all licensed, bonded, and insured General Contractors with decades of experience building new power distribution systems, performing maintenance and/or

upgrades to existing infrastructure; both overhead and underground, hot or cold construction along with installation of fiber optic cables; specializes power generation; and can provide maintenance and repair services on our engines, generators and distribution systems; and,

WHEREAS, it is the intent of the City to contract EPS, EPC, MBI, and 49th State to provide ongoing maintenance and repair Saint Paul Electric Utility systems; and,

WHEREAS, the City desires to contract EPS, EPC, MBI to perform the replacement of the power plant fuel system, and switchgear, airport feeder line, and G&W switch in accordance with approved annual City budgets; and,

WHEREAS, the City desires to contract 49th State to perform the replacement engine/generator Units #3, #4, and #5 in accordance with approved annual City budgets; and,

WHEREAS, the City considers that the replacement of the Saint Paul Municipal Electric Utility fuel system, engine/generator Units #3, #4, and #5, switchgear in all the bays, G&W switch, and airport feeder line, and commissioning of Unit #2 in the best interest the utility and its customers, and will promote the public purpose of the City; and,

WHEREAS, EPS, EPC, MBI, and 49th State are uniquely qualified replacement of the Saint Paul Electric Utility fuel system, engine/generator Units #3, #4, and #5, and switchgear in all the bays, G&W switch, and airport feeder line, commissioning of Unit#2, and long-term maintenance and repairs on these systems; and,

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED the Council of the City of Saint Paul, Alaska:

Section 1: Approves the replacement of the Saint Paul Electric Utility fuel system, engine/generator Units #3, #4, and #5, and switchgear in all the bays, G&W switch, and airport feeder line; and,

Section 2: By authorizing this resolution waives the competitive bidding process for the replacements stated in Section 1 above; and,

Section 3: Authorizes the City Manager to enter into contract with Electric Power Constructors, LLC and 49th State Power, LLC for the replacements stated in Section 1 above.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, this Resolution replaces Resolution 20-03 that was approved by the Council of the City of Saint Paul, Alaska on January 22, 2020.

PASSED AND ADOPTED BY APPROVAL OF THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SAINT PAUL THIS 14th DAY OF JULY, 2022 BY ___ IN FAVOR ___ OPPOSED AND ___ ABSTAIN.

ATTEST:

Jacob N. Mercurief, Mayor

Monique Baker, City Clerk