

## SOUTH TAHOE PUBLIC UTILITY DISTRICT

## **AGENDA ADDENDUM NO. 1**

## REGULAR BOARD MEETING Thursday, February 20, 2025

District Board Room
1275 Meadow Crest Drive, South Lake Tahoe, California

Note: This item, posted 02/20/25, met noticing requirements and is added to the Items for Board Action 7d for consideration by the Board.

### 7. ACTION ITEM

d. Bakersfield Well Rehabilitation Project
 (Mark Seelos, Water Resources Manager)

 Reject all bids for the Bakersfield Well Rehabilitation Project



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#### **BOARD AGENDA ITEM 7d**

**TO**: Board of Directors

**FROM**: Mark Seelos, Water Resources Manager

**MEETING DATE**: February 20, 2025

ITEM - PROJECT NAME: Bakersfield Well Rehabilitation Project

**REQUESTED BOARD ACTION:** Reject all bids for the Bakersfield Well Rehabilitation Project

**DISCUSSION**: On January 17, 2025, District staff advertised informal construction bids for the Bakersfield Well Rehabilitation Project. In addition to the well rehabilitation work necessary for the District's Well Asset Management Program, the project scope included minor instrumentation upgrades recommended by the 2019 Water Efficiency Improvements Project and 2024 Production Meter Testing. The well rehabilitation work was estimated at \$70,000, referencing the nearly identical scopes of the 2024 South Upper Truckee Well Rehabilitation (Carson Pump, \$59,050), and the 2025 Bayview Well Rehabilitation (O'Dell's Pump and Motor, \$61,922). The instrumentation upgrades portion of the project was estimated at \$80,000.

On February 14, 2025, bids for the project were publicly opened, with a single bid submitted by Zim Industries in the amount of \$655,899. This proposal included a quote of \$412,862 for well rehabilitation and \$243,037 for instrumentation upgrades. Given the lack of competitive bidding and the disproportionately high costs, staff recommends that the Board reject all bids, as the pricing does not reflect a reasonable or justifiable market value for the scope of work.

Staff intends to solicit quotes for the critical well rehabilitation portion of the project and proceed with the work through a purchase order, in accordance with the California Uniform Public Construction Cost Accounting Act (CUPCAA) for projects under \$75,000. The instrumentation upgrades, which are unrelated to the well rehabilitation, will be consolidated with other instrumentation needs across the District's system and bid separately as a standalone project in the future.

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**SCHEDULE**: Upon Board approval

**COSTS**: \$0

**ACCOUNT NO**: 20.30.8469

**BUDGETED AMOUNT AVAILABLE: N/A** 

IDENTIFIED CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT PROJECT (CIP): ⊠ Yes ☐ No ☐ N/A

ATTACHMENTS: N/A

CONCURRENCE WITH REQUESTED ACTION:

GENERAL MANAGER:

CHIEF FINANCIAL OFFICER:

YES

NO

NO

NO