



STAFF REPORT

TO: Board of Commissioners
FROM: Chris Munson, Facilities Manager
DATE: May 30, 2023
SUBJECT: Avila Pier Utility Materials Purchase

Recommendation / Proposed Motion

- **Motion:** Approve use of up to \$200,000 from the Avila Pier Rehabilitation Capital Project line item for the purchase of half of utility materials from Famcon during the current fiscal year.

Policy Implications

- Harbor Commission approves all expenditures over \$5,000.

District Major Objective/Goal

None at this time

Fiscal Implications / Budget Status

The FY 2022/2023 budget includes \$1,845,000 for the Avila Pier Rehabilitation.

Alternatives Considered

The following actions were considered but are not recommended at this time:

- Postponing full purchase to FY 2023-2024

Background

The Avila Pier Rehabilitation Project includes replacing the utility lines on Avila Pier. The District contracted MKN to develop a Utility Replacement Plan which was completed in October 2022. Part of this plan included a list of materials needed for this project.

In April, staff solicited bids from the 4 local vendors who would be likely to be able to fulfill the order. Two vendors submitted bids. Famcon's quote for materials at \$398,596.80 was significantly lower than their competitor. A direct cost comparison is not possible since the other bid did not include all items, but the competitor's cost already exceeded Famcon's without including all items.

Discussion

The utility replacement is included in Stage 1 of the Avila Pier Rehabilitation Project. The existing utility lines are 40 years old and in need of replacement. The new utility lines will be located in a utility corridor outside the walkway, which will clear the walkway and improve ADA access.

Part of the funding for the utilities was provided through the Friends of Avila Pier's initial contribution of \$245,000. The grant from the Coastal Conservancy also includes \$75,000, which can be used for the materials, and an additional \$200,000 from the State Lands Commission grant.

District staff intends to purchase roughly half the materials now and the remaining in the upcoming fiscal year. Doing so will reduce the burden of storage and keep the purchases within budget.

Conclusion

Staff recommends the Board approve use of up to \$200,000 from the Avila Pier Rehabilitation Capital Project line item for the purchase of pier repair utility materials from Famcon.

Attachment(s): 1) Famcon Bid Sheet