



**AGENDA ITEM EXECUTIVE SUMMARY**

Agenda Item number: 6.m

Title: Recommendation to Award Purchase Order for Padmounted Capacitors to Wesco

Presenter: Chris Adesso

Meeting: Government Services Committee

Date: February 25, 2019

Proposed Cost: \$ 124,042

Budgeted Amount: \$ 100,000

Not Budgeted:

**Executive Summary** *(if not budgeted please explain):*

Capacitors are a critical element on our distribution system. They support our voltage, reduce the current on our lines, and reduce penalties we get from our power supplier, IMEA. The switchgear is a semi-custom design to be able to tap into our mainline, while also including elements for the capacitor to be on-line only when it is needed, and with capabilities for us to eventually remote control the unit. Electric Engineering has identified two locations where a pad mounted capacitor would benefit the system. Purchasing went out for bids and received three bids. Electro-Mechanical DBA Federal Pacific was the low cost bidder; however, they withdrew their bid in conjunction with Purchasing investigating omissions in their submittal. The next lowest bidder was Wesco, who represents ABB. ABB has built these semi-customized switchgears for the City in the past, and their product quality has been good. While the cost has escalated from our budget estimate, the capacitors are needed on the system, and we will cover the budget difference by not installing any overhead capacitors this year.

**Attachments** *(please list):*

- \* Bid Tabulation
- \* Bid Withdraw Letter

**Recommendation/Suggested Action** *(briefly explain):*

Recommendation to award Purchase Order for Padmounted Capacitors to Wesco in an amount of \$124,042.



## BID RESULTS

**12.47kV PADMOUNT CAPACITOR BANK WITH DUAL LOADBREAK SWITCHES #1016**

**Bid Opening Date: Feb. 5, 2019**

**Budget:**

Bidder	ELGIN POWER	ELECTRO-MECHANICAL	WESCO
<b>Responsive Bid?</b>			
2 originals	YES	NO	NO
electronic file	YES	NO	NO
EXCEPTIONS?	YES: #V SWC test; #W computer	YES: Bid Withdrawn	NONE
Signatures	YES	NO	YES
Certification of Compliance	YES	YES	YES
Certificate of Insurance	YES	NO	NO
References	YES	NO	NO
<b>Responsible Bidder?</b>	<b>Qualified</b>		
<b>Cost Analysis:</b>			
12.47kV PADMOUNT CAPACITOR BANK WITH DUAL LOADBREAK SWITCHES	\$ 72,170.00	\$ 50,264.00 WITHDRAWN	\$ 62,021.00
components or services to be provided by the Utility	BOM attached	attached	attached
Payment via St Charles Credit card?	YES	NO	YES
Discount?	0%	0%	0%

**Intent to Award (pending approval):**

*The City wishes to thank all bidders for participating in this solicitation. The City recognizes and appreciates the time and effort your firm put into preparing and submitting your proposal. The City invites you to bid on future solicitations which are posted on the City's website at <https://www.stcharlesil.gov>.*

The city of St. Charles is looking for ways to reduce costs and create better returns for our investments. Please advise the City if you have any suggestions that can provide: cost savings; quality improvements; improved resource utilization; versatility; standardization; modification in delivery; inventory or consignment practices; value analysis; or other.



February 14, 2019

City of St. Charles  
2 East Main Street  
St. Charles, IL 60174

Reference: City of St. Charles Bid #1016

Dear Ms. Schouten:

Electro-Mechanical Corporation d/b/a Federal Pacific would like to respectfully request permission to immediately withdraw our bid from consideration for City of St. Charles bid #1016. We sincerely apologize for any inconvenience.

If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Regards,

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