

# Santa Clara Valley Water District Capital Improvement Program Committee Meeting

**Video Conference Zoom Meeting** 

## SPECIAL MEETING AGENDA

Friday, July 31, 2020 11:00 AM

District Mission: Provide Silicon Valley safe, clean water for a healthy life, environment and economy.

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#### 1. Roll Call.

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#### 3. ACTION ITEMS:

3.1. Discuss Best Value Construction Contractor Selection Method for the Anderson Dam Federal Energy Regulatory Commission Order Compliance Project. 20-0662

Recommendation: Recommend proceeding with a best value construction

contractor selection method for the Anderson Dam Federal Energy Regulatory Commission Order Compliance Project

(FOCP).

Manager: Christopher Hakes, 408-630-3796

#### 4. CLERK REVIEW AND CLARIFICATION OF COMMITTEE REQUESTS.

This is an opportunity for the Clerk to review and obtain clarification on any formally moved, seconded, and approved requests and recommendations made by the Committee during the meeting.

#### 5. ADJOURN:

5.1. Adjourn to Regular Meeting at 10:00 a.m., on August 10, 2020, via Zoom teleconference.

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File No.: 20-0662 Agenda Date: 7/31/2020

Item No.: 3.1.

#### **COMMITTEE AGENDA MEMORANDUM**

#### **Capital Improvement Program Committee**

#### SUBJECT:

Discuss Best Value Construction Contractor Selection Method for the Anderson Dam Federal Energy Regulatory Commission Order Compliance Project.

#### RECOMMENDATION:

Recommend proceeding with a best value construction contractor selection method for the Anderson Dam Federal Energy Regulatory Commission Order Compliance Project (FOCP).

#### SUMMARY:

Instead of selecting the responsible contractor submitting the lowest bid, a "Best Value" approach would be implemented in a competitively bid process. Staff will establish a "value" for each bid submitted, determined by evaluation of objective criteria such as price, proposed staff and equipment, recently performed similar projects and references to verify past performance, project execution plans, plans for regulatory compliance, and quality of service and risk management. A Best Value determination involves selection of a proposal based not only on cost but also on other specified factors collectively meeting the interests and objectives of Valley Water.

The Leroy Anderson Dam has been determined by local, state, and federal officials to be at risk of an uncontrolled release of water caused by an earthquake. A breach of the dam at full capacity would have catastrophic consequences for life and property, inundating an area extending more than 30 miles northwest to San Francisco Bay, including the Cities of Milpitas, San Jose, Santa Clara, and Sunnyvale, and more than 40 miles southeast to Monterey Bay, including the Cities of Gilroy, Morgan Hill, and Watsonville.

As a result of these conditions, in a February 20, 2020 Order, the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission (FERC) ordered Valley Water to immediately implement interim risk reduction measures to protect the public from risk of dam failure at Anderson Dam due to seismic activity. FERC stated in its Order that Valley Water should implement the dam safety directives, including design and construction of the proposed low-level outlet immediately.

Staff has been working with FERC to obtain concurrence on the FOCP schedule and schedule expectations. FERC has indicated that construction of the new, low-level outlet, the Anderson Dam Tunnel Project (ADTP), should begin no later than early 2021. The ADTP design plans and specifications are at 100% and staff is preparing to submit them to FERC, California Department of Water Resources, Division of Safety of Dams, and the Anderson Dam Seismic Retrofit Project's

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(ADSRP) Board of Consultants (BOC) this month for review and subsequent final approval by approximately November 23, 2020. Staff will then have all of December and January for the bid period, bid evaluation, legal review, and contract award action by the Board of Directors.

Implementing a Best Value construction contractor selection method has been identified as a highly desirable risk reduction measure for the ADSRP by the FERC-mandated Independent Board of Consultants. Because current law does not authorize Valley Water to select a construction contractor other than by competitive sealed bid to determine the responsible bidder submitting the lowest responsive bid, Valley Water sponsored, and State Assembly Member Robert Rivas authored a bill, Assembly Bill 3005, that is currently making its way through the state legislative process that would allow for Best Value contractor selection for the ADSRP and FOCP.

District Counsel has arranged for outside legal counsel to attend the CIP Committee meeting and deliver a presentation further explaining the Best Value selection method and justification for implementing this approach. A power point slide presentation will be included.

#### **ATTACHMENTS:**

None.

#### **UNCLASSIFIED MANAGER:**

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