

RESOLUTION NO. 2006-700

Adopted by the Sacramento City Council

September 26, 2006

PURCHASE: TRAFFIC SIGNAL POLES

BACKGROUND

- A. The Street Services Division of the Department of Transportation has a need for a variety of signal poles for various up-coming projects and maintenance.
- B. This purchase was advertised on the City's bid page for 14 days. Because the bids for this purchase were expected to be below \$100,000 (based on previous purchases), the competitive bidding procedures used did not include the newspaper advertising required for contracts of \$100,000 or more. However, due to escalating steel costs, both bids received exceeded \$100,000. Wesco Distribution was the low bidder.
- C. If this purchase is rebid to include advertising in the official newspaper, several projects will be delayed, and the bid prices would likely increase, as steel prices have not stabilized. There is a very small population of vendors who can supply this commodity, so further advertising is unlikely to result in more bidders. Wesco Distribution has agreed to honor its bid price through October 31, 2006. For these reasons, it is in the City's best interests to suspend competitive bidding to allow the purchase agreement to be awarded to Wesco Distribution.

BASED ON THE FACTS SET FORTH IN THE BACKGROUND, THE CITY COUNCIL RESOLVES AS FOLLOWS:

- Section 1. In the best interests of the City, competitive bidding is suspended for the purchase of traffic signal poles, and a purchase agreement for the purchase of traffic signal poles is awarded to Wesco Distribution.
- Section 2. The City Manager is authorized to execute the purchase agreement in an amount not to exceed \$123,984.

Adopted by the City of Sacramento City Council on September 26, 2006 by the following vote:

Ayes: Councilmembers, Cohn, Fong, Hammond, McCarty, Pannell, Sheedy, Tretheway, Waters, and Mayor Fargo.

Noes: None.

Abstain: None.

Absent: None.

Attest: *Shirley Concolino*
Shirley Concolino, City Clerk

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Mayor, Heather Fargo