



WASHOE COUNTY

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STAFF REPORT

BOARD MEETING DATE: May 11, 2021

DATE: April 23, 2021

TO: Board of County Commissioners

FROM: Dave Solaro, Arch., P.E., Assistant County Manager
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THROUGH: Eric Brown, County Manager

SUBJECT: Recommendation to accept a report of a contract let under the emergency provisions of Nevada Revised Statutes 338.011 from Dave Solaro, Assistant County Manager and Incident Commander for the regional incident management team. In accordance with the ongoing emergency declaration for the COVID-19 response in Washoe County the Incident Commander has approved a contract for paving and striping of the former Nevada National Guard Armory site for the COVID testing and point of dispersion relocation project to Sierra Nevada Construction, Inc. in the amount of \$888,007.00 (All Commission Districts.) FOR POSSIBLE ACTION.

SUMMARY

During times of emergency NRS Chapter 338.011 allows for a public body or its authorized representative to enter into public works contracts necessary to contend with an emergency without complying with the requirements of Chapter 338, and to report the contract at the next regularly scheduled meeting of the public body.

To continue providing vaccination efforts for the ongoing COVID pandemic, the location of the Point of Dispersion (POD) and Testing location was identified as needing a longer-term location due to upcoming events within the community. In order to move the POD and meet the timeframes necessary to not disrupt the vaccination process, the Incident Commander authorized a full public bid to pave and stripe the site of the former Nevada National Guard Armory and executed the contract to begin work.

Sealed bids were opened on March 30, 2021. The list of sealed bids received for the project is as follows:

Washoe County Testing & Vaccine POD Project	
Bidder	Amount
Sierra Nevada Construction Inc.	\$888,007.00

Staff has verified in the System for Award Management Exclusions that no bidder is excluded from receiving federal government contracts as a result of being debarred; thus, none of the bidders is prohibited by NRS 338.017(2) from being awarded a public works contract.

AGENDA ITEM # _____

Washoe County Strategic Objective supported by this item: Stewardship of our community.

PREVIOUS ACTION

April 20, 2021 The Board of County Commissioners gave direction to staff related to the proposed Washoe County COVID-19 Local Mitigation and Enforcement Plan (“the Plan”), for approval as the final Local Plan for Washoe County as required by the Governor’s Declaration of Emergency, Directive 041 (“the Directive”).

April 8, 2021 The Board of County Commissioners gave direction to staff related to the proposed Washoe County COVID-19 Local Mitigation and Enforcement Plan (“the Plan”), for approval as the final Local Plan for Washoe County as required by the Governor’s Declaration of Emergency, Directive 041 (“the Directive”) and requested a Special Meeting for April 14, 2021 to review and possibly approve the plan.

January 4, 2021 the Interlocal Agreement for Incident Command and Coordinated Response to COVID-19 was updated to remove Aaron Kenneston as Incident Commander to be replaced by David Solaro, Assistant County Manager for Washoe County. The Interlocal was agreed to by the City of Reno, City of Sparks, Washoe County and the Washoe County Health District.

May 8, 2020 the Interlocal Agreement for Incident Command and Coordinated Response to COVID-19 was updated to remove Sam Hicks as Incident Commander to be replaced by Aaron Kenneston, Washoe County Emergency Manager. The Interlocal was agreed to by the City of Reno, City of Sparks, Washoe County and the Washoe County Health District.

March 31, 2020 the Board of County Commissioners accepted and ratified an Interlocal Agreement for Incident Command and Coordinated Response to COVID-19 delegating certain authority and responsibility for operational control and management only of the COVID 19 response from Washoe County, the City of Reno, City of Sparks and the Washoe County Health District to Incident Commander Sam Hicks, describes and limits the duties and responsibilities of the Incident Commander, and provides for the negotiation of a cost sharing agreement between the Parties.

BACKGROUND

The regional Incident Management Team continues to provide a point of dispersion (POD) for large scale vaccination of our community against the virus that causes COVID-19.

Over the past year while our community events have been hampered by capacity restrictions the location of the POD has not been interfering with events at the Livestock Event Center. As we move forward through the summer of 2021, with easing restrictions more and more events are coming to our community to be held in a safe manner. The events are now interfering with the location of our POD. In late February many sites across our community were reviewed for a longer term location to house the large scale POD. Many of the sites came with an extremely high price tag (up to \$3.5M) to convert

to use as a POD and a decision was made to utilize the location on the Livestock Event Center that was the former location of the National Guard Armory.

The lot is a dirt lot that the RSCVA already had construction drawings for a future storage lot. Utilizing the plans a project was competitively bid in our area with a tight timeframe for completion. For safety of the overall POD operation performing the tasks at hand on a dirt lot is not the best practice and would create operational challenges with dust, and overall cleanliness in providing vaccines to our community. The project includes the construction of the RSCVA design for the future storage lot, the relocation of the temporary structures currently being utilized at the POD, as well as all infrastructure necessary to adequately address power, water, and stormwater to operate the POD. The Incident Commander determined that this relocation of the POD would be the least expensive option and still be able to provide the required vaccination rate to be successful. Construction began on April 5th and will be complete on May 17th.

FISCAL IMPACT

The cost associated with this bid has been accounted for within Internal Order Coronavirus Relief Fund (11733) which is being utilized for the regional vaccination response. The costs are included in the cost share agreement between the Cities of Reno, Sparks, the Health District and Washoe County.

RECOMMENDATION

It is recommended the Board accept a report of a contract let under the emergency provisions of Nevada Revised Statutes 338.011 from Dave Solaro, Assistant County Manager and Incident Commander for the regional incident management team. In accordance with the ongoing emergency declaration for the COVID-19 response in Washoe County the Incident Commander has approved a contract for paving and striping of the former Nevada National Guard Armory site for the COVID testing and point of dispersion relocation project to Sierra Nevada Construction, Inc. in the amount of \$888,007.00

POSSIBLE MOTION

Should the Board agree with staff's recommendation, a possible motion would be. "Move to accept a report of a contract let under the emergency provisions of Nevada Revised Statutes 338.011 from Dave Solaro, Assistant County Manager and Incident Commander for the regional incident management team. In accordance with the ongoing emergency declaration for the COVID-19 response in Washoe County the Incident Commander has approved a contract for paving and striping of the former Nevada National Guard Armory site for the COVID testing and point of dispersion relocation project to Sierra Nevada Construction, Inc. in the amount of \$888,007.00"