

Meeting Date (?) 02/28/2017

Subject Matter* (?) Approval of a contract for Field Lights/Poles installation at Nutrabort Stadium
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Department of Origin* PARKS & RECREATION

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Type of Meeting* BCD Special Regular

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Ordinance* None First Read Second Read First & Only Read

Strategic Initiative* Public Safety Service
 Economic Development Infrastructure
 Quality of Life

Agenda Item Description* Consideration to award a contract to Musco Sports Lighting, LLC for Field Lights/Poles to Nutrabort Stadium for an amount not to exceed \$312,000.

Summary Statement*

At the Tuesday, November 8, 2016 City Council Workshop, a presentation was made titled, "Financial Resources and Possible Plans for Parks, Fields, and the Brazos Valley Bombers." Information was shared concerning financing options for several projects with one being renovations and upgrades to Travis Field/Nutrabort Stadium, home of the Brazos Valley Bombers. After discussing the projects, the City Council indicated an interest in all presented projects.

In follow-up to the November 8 Workshop presentation, at the Tuesday, January 10, 2017 City Council meeting, the Fourth Amendment to the contract between the City of Bryan and Infinity Sports Entertainment was approved by the City Council. This Amendment includes improvements to the leased premises commonly known as Travis Field/Nutrabort Stadium in an amount not to exceed \$1,863,935. As a reminder, per the 4th Amendment, Infinity is responsible to make payments to the City of Bryan over a ten (10) year period; annual payments are \$27,836 for a ten (10) year total amount of \$278,360.

The improvements listed in the Amendment as "possible improvements" include a sheet metal outfield fence, new irrigation system, infield replacement, field leveling, new turf installation, warning track installation, grandstand repairs and painting, press box repairs, new field lighting, parking lot improvements, new scoreboard, synthetic turf (infield or entire field), and new portable bleachers.

Based on the minimal time to complete projects before the 2017 season, City staff opted to use purchasing cooperatives for both materials and installations, if available. This purchasing method results in the City essentially being the General Contractor and the awarded companies are sub-contractors. Staff was able to receive purchasing cooperative pricing along with at least two proposals for most items. Projects for City Council consideration include the synthetic turf and fencing, field lighting, and grandstand renovations. Other projects are projected to be within the City Manager's spending authority; those projects may include grandstand painting, new scoreboard, press box renovations, and portable bleachers.

Initially, staff conducted two well-known sport lighting companies to solicit proposals for facility field lighting. During the review, it was determined the existing poles needed to be replaced; the existing poles apparently were not designed for lighting, but apparently are oil industry pipes.

Cost proposals were solicited for an Ephesus Lighting system, which provides LED fixtures, from Techline Sports Lighting in Austin, TX. They presented two (2) proposals. One proposal is for 750W LED fixtures with 50/30 FC average maintained light levels, and the second proposal is for 750W LED fixtures with 70/50 FC average maintained light levels. The second option provides NCAA approved lighting for this field. Their proposal includes a 10 year maintenance free warranty and six (6) new poles, which is a reduction from the current eight (8) poles on site.

The second cost proposal was from Musco Sports Lighting, LLC, which is considered an industry leader. They, too, presented two lighting options. The first option is their 50/30 FC system uses four (4) existing poles and four (4) new poles along with their SportsCluster Green system, which includes energy savings of more than 50% over standard lighting systems, 50% less spill and glare, guaranteed light levels for 10 years, and a maintenance free warranty for 10 years. Their other option is their 70/50 FC system, which includes replacing all eight (8) existing poles and their Light Structure Green System. This system comes with a guaranteed light level for 25 years and 25 years of maintenance free service. This warranty eliminates 100% of the City's maintenance costs, including labor and materials, for that time frame. Both systems are offered with their Control Link Control & Monitoring System, which allows for control of the lights from off-site locations through a computer and/or smart phones. The 70/50 FC system includes energy savings of more than 50% over standard lighting systems and 50% less spill and glare.

Staff Analysis & Recommendation*

This project was first introduced during a presentation by Uri Geva, of Infinity Sports Entertainment, on February 23, 2016; since that time, the project is included in the 3rd and 4th Amendments. The initial request from Mr. Geva was to provide only new light fixtures. In discussions with lighting companies and from past experience maintaining the current poles, it was determined the current poles need to be replaced. The current poles are not light poles but apparently pipes from the oil industry. By replacing the poles, a safer environment is created and the City's maintenance free warranty changes from a ten (10) year term for the lights to a twenty-five (25) year term for all the equipment.

Staff recommends awarding the renovations of the field lights and poles at Nutrabort Field to Musco Sports Lighting, LLC for an amount not to exceed \$312,000. While this amount is slightly more than Techline Sport Lighting's proposal of \$281,400, the warranty, guaranteed light level, and interconnectivity provided by Musco Sports Lighting is a better proposal for the City.

Options*

(In Suggested Order of Staff Preference)

1. Approve the recommendation and award the contract.
2. Do not approve the recommendation and award to the other company, which may require consideration at a future City Council meeting.
3. Do not approve the recommendation and provide direction to staff.

Funding Source*

Available Funding Sources -- Capital Reserve Fund, Oil & Gas Fund, General Fund, and HOT Fund - per November 8, 2016 Workshop Presentation and City Council approval of the Bombers 4th Amendment (January 10, 2017).

As a reminder, this expenditure was not part of the FY17 budget and is therefore an unplanned expenditure. However, the City Council approved the 4th Amendment, which includes multiple projects totaling \$1,863,935.

Attachments

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Please detail attachments and note attachments available for viewing in City Secretary's Office:

1. Cost Proposal
2. Contract - Available for viewing in the City Secretary's Office.

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