



## AGENDA MEMORANDUM

Action Item for the City Council Meeting June 18, 2024

**DATE:** June 18, 2024

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### **Construction Contract Award**

Central Kitchen Generator (CDBG) at Del Mar College West Campus

#### **CAPTION:**

Motion awarding a construction contract to McDonald Municipal & Industrial, Houston, TX, for the Central Kitchen Generator project in an amount of \$352,469.00 to install a backup power generator at the Central Kitchen located at Del Mar College West Campus, located in Council District 3, with FY 2024 funding available from the Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) Program and General Fund.

#### **SUMMARY:**

This motion approves a construction contract to install a backup power generator to enable the Nutrition Education Services Center (Central Kitchen) to continue operations during an emergency event, storm, or loss of power.

#### **BACKGROUND AND FINDINGS:**

The Nutrition Education Services Center (Central Kitchen) at Del Mar College West Campus is a joint venture with City and Del Mar College. Central Kitchen is responsible for preparing 800 meals daily for the elderly at eight senior centers and for the Meals on Wheels Program from Monday to Friday. In total, around 240,000 meals are prepared and delivered each year. The Central Kitchen does not have a backup power during natural or man-made events and have risk of kitchen out of service not able to deliver meals to the elderly.

The project scope includes installing a new natural gas backup generator, automatic transfer switch, concrete pad, wood screen fence and pertinent building and site electrical improvements. The generator will ensure power supply to critical areas and vital equipment.

**PROJECT TIMELINE:**

2023/2024	2024	2024
October – February	March – June	July – September
Design	Bid/Award	Construction

Project schedule reflects award in June 2024 with anticipated completion by August 2024.

**COMPETITIVE SOLICITATION PROCESS:**

On March 10, 2024, the Contracts and Procurement Department issued a Request for Bids with the RFB Number 5745 for Central Kitchen Generator. On April 10, 2024, City received bids from two bidders. The Request for Bid solicitation was advertised on Civcast Portal that is widely used for commercial bid advertisement nationally. The project plans were downloaded and viewed by forty-nine interested contractors.

The bids from A&O Construction Services from Corpus Christi is deemed non-responsive as the firms do not meet the minimum experience requirements. A&O Construction Services from Corpus Christi, Texas was incorporated in October 2023. City requires bidders to maintain five years of experience before being selected for projects.

The city analyzed the bids in accordance with the contract documents and determined McDonald Municipal & Industrial is the lowest responsive, and responsible bidder. A summary of the bids is provided below.

<b>BID SUMMARY</b>	
<b>CONTRACTOR</b>	<b>BASE BID</b>
<b>McDonald Municipal &amp; Industrial</b>	<b>\$352,469.00</b>
A&O Construction Services	\$417,481.42 (non-responsive)
<b><i>Engineer's Opinion of Probable Construction Cost</i></b>	<b>\$194,260.77</b>

McDonald Municipal & Industrial has not undertaken any projects for the City of Corpus Christi. However, they bring a wealth of experience with a combined business tenure of 65 years, offering services in electrical and electrical engineering. The company is well-versed in collaborating with municipal bodies and government entities, having successfully completed numerous generator installations. Their portfolio of gas generator projects encompasses work for various clients, including the City of Hempstead, Spring Creek Utility District, City of Alvin, Fort Bend County, City of Pflugerville, Goliad County, City of West Orange, Charterwood Municipal Utility District, Harris County, Clear Lake City Water Authority, Varner Creek Utility District, Galveston County, and Northwest Harris County Municipal Utility District 19.

**ALTERNATIVES:**

The alternative is not to award the construction contract to the responsive and responsible bidder, McDonald Municipal & Industrial. This would delay the new improvement to Central Kitchen and may affect the ability to provide cooked meals during an emergency event, storm, or loss of power.

**FISCAL IMPACT:**

The fiscal impact in FY 2024 is an amount of \$352,469.00 with funds available from the Grant Fund.

**Funding Detail:**

Fund: CDBG Grants (Fund 1059)  
Department: Parks & Rec (27)  
Org: Grants and Capital Projects (89)  
Account: Improvements Other than Bldg (550030)  
Activity: 852305F  
Amount \$352,469.00

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**RECOMMENDATION:**

Staff recommends awarding a construction contract for the Central Kitchen Generator (CDBG) of Corpus Christi to McDonald Municipal & Industrial for the park improvements in an amount of \$352,469.00 with anticipated completion by August 2024.

**LIST OF SUPPORTING DOCUMENTS:**

Location & Vicinity Maps  
Bid Tab  
CIP Page  
PowerPoint