



Staff Report

AGENDA ITEM REPORT

DATE: October 13, 2025

SUBMITTED BY: Garret Bubela, Emergency Management

ITEM TYPE: Contracts

AGENDA SECTION: CONSIDERATION OF AND ACTION ON

SUBJECT: Resolution R2025-50 Awarding a Contract to J4 Fencing & Services, LLC for the HMGP Water Plant Generators Project, and Authorizing the City Manager to Execute the Agreement and Related Documents

BACKGROUND: The City of El Campo, through the Hazard Mitigation Grant Program (HMGP, DR-4485-TX), advertised and received bids for Contract 1-2025, the Water Plant Generators Project. This project includes:

- Installation of permanent generators and automatic transfer switches at the Wilson Street, Kentucky Street, and Avenue F Water Plants.
- Installation and testing of all related appurtenances necessary for a fully operational backup power system.

Bids were publicly opened on September 16, 2025. The following bids were received:

- J4 Fencing & Service, LLC – \$850,224.23
- McDonald Municipal and Industrial – \$1,192,469.00

After review of the bids, the City's consulting engineer, Strand Associates, Inc., recommends award of the contract to J4 Fencing & Service, LLC as the lowest responsible bidder meeting all requirements.

The bid of \$850,224.23 came in under the engineer's budget estimate. However, because this is a reimbursement-type FEMA grant, the City will only be reimbursed for the actual eligible expenditures — meaning any difference between the awarded amount and the budgeted grant allocation is not retained by the City.

City staff concurs with Strand Associates' recommendation and finds the project to be critical for ensuring reliable backup power to the City's water treatment and distribution system during power outages and disaster events.

Fiscal Impact:

- Total Contract Amount: \$850,224.23
- FEMA HMGP Grant (90%): \$765,201.81
- City of El Campo Local Match (10%): \$85,022.42

Funding for the City's match will be provided through the FY26 Utility Fund budget.

SUGGESTED ACTION:

Adopt Resolution R2025-50 Awarding a Contract to J4 Fencing & Services, LLC for the HMGP Water Plant Generators Project, and Authorizing the City Manager to Execute the Agreement and Related Documents

ATTACHMENTS:

[Resolution R2025-50 Authorization to award HMGP 4485 Construction.docx](#)
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