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Submitted By: Fred Abadi, Director of Public Works	City Administrator Approval: Kevin Lahner, City Administrator KL	
Finance Department Review: Rich Abbott, Finance Director RA	City Attorney's Office Review: Brian Running, City Attorney BR	

## Subject:

Approve Contract for Professional Services for Standard Construction Specifications-2017.

#### Details:

A Request for Proposal was solicited from 8 local engineering firms on May 1, 2017, to prepare an update of the City's 1972 Edition of the Standard Construction Specifications. Two firms responded, submitting qualifications and costs associated with the preparation and modernization of the specifications. After review of the Understanding, Approach, Qualification and Cost categories for each firm, Ayres Associates ranked the highest and was more qualified for this task. Ayres has done this work for other municipalities.

Technical staff that Ayers assigned to this task has over 2,500 similar projects and documents to their credit, along with a combined 68 years' experience in municipal engineering and specifications.

Final rankings with cost included

Rank	Consultant	Cost	
		Cost	Points
1	Ayres Associates	\$34,000	81.3
2	GRAEF	\$28,486	74.4

# **Options & Alternatives:**

Engineering staff could solicit additional firms for input. However, six firms opted not to submit due to their high workload, lack of availability or staff expertise. To solicit a new RFP for the same services or extend the time deadline for submittals may not allow enough time to complete the task without having the new Standard Specifications document available for 2018 construction contracting.

### **Financial Remarks:**

Total Expense: \$34,000.00 Account Breakdown: 7399.68290.71480 - \$17,000 and 2004.68290 - \$17,000

### **Executive Recommendation:**

Recommend Approval of a Contract with **Ayres Associates** for Professional Services for Standard Construction Specifications-2017.

