

**CITY OF FARMINGTON
CITY COUNCIL WORK SESSION AGENDA
January 4, 2011 – 9:00 a.m.**

DEPARTMENT HEAD REPORTS

1. Recognition of staff from Farmington Clean & Beautiful for receiving the Gold Affiliate Recognition Award from New Mexico Clean & Beautiful (Mayor)
2. Legislative update and Council direction to City lobbyist to the New Mexico State legislature (Scott Scanland)
3. Bid for purchase of 115 kV horizontal post insulators (Eddie Smylie)

Action Requested of Council:

Approve recommendation for award.

Background/Rationale:

Bids opened December 29, 2010 with four bidders participating.

Staff Recommendation:

Award the bid for purchase of 115 kV horizontal post insulators (Electric Utility) to Wesco Distributing as the lowest and best bidder meeting specifications after application of five percent in-state preference (\$28,414.20).

Instructions Upon Approval:

Issue the purchase order.

4. Land purchase for a switching station/substation (Maude Grantham-Richards)

Action Requested of Council:

Approve the purchase of a five-acre parcel of land for the purpose of constructing a switching station/substation.

Background/Rationale:

The electric utility recommends the purchase of a site for construction of an un-named switching station/substation on Lot 36 of the Geoff McMahon Tract. It is five acres of land, more or less, allowing for the initial development of a switching station and future expansion for a distribution substation. Construction of this substation will sustain development in this area and provide back-up support to the existing Lakeview and Lee Acres substations.

The location of the property is adjacent to the 115 kV transmission line. A distribution circuit crosses the property and two others are also adjacent making this location prime for our intended use.

The owner has agreed to sell the land for \$38,000, whereas the appraised value is \$45,000 (copy attached). The funds will be allocated from a project that was completed under budget (West Loop Switching Station to Hogback).

Staff Recommendation:

Staff recommends approval of the purchase of a five-acre parcel for construction of a substation and requests authorization to issue a check for the purchase. Project construction is budgeted in Fiscal Years 2012, 2013 and 2014.

Instructions Upon Approval:

Authorize the City Manager to execute the contract.

5. Presentation by Police Chief finalist candidate Deputy Chief Kyle Westall on his vision and goals for the Farmington Police Department if appointed by the City Manager as Chief of Police (Kyle Westall)

COUNCIL AND OTHER BUSINESS

6. Appointment to the Public Utility Commission (Mayor)

CLOSED MEETING

7. To discuss disposition of real property not currently being used for City purposes (intersection of East Main Street & Sierra Vista).

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