



STAFF REPORT

DATE: 02/18/2026
TO: Honorable Mayor and City Council Members
FROM: Public Works Department

2026-60

REQUEST FOR CITY COUNCIL ACTION

SUBJECT:

CONSTRUCTION CONTRACT WITH HIGH LIGHT ELECTRIC, INC. FOR THE TRAFFIC SIGNAL INSTALLATION AT AUTO CENTER DRIVE AND METROLINK STATION

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY:

This staff report asks the City Council to approve the construction contract with High Light Electric, Inc. for the Traffic Signal Installation at Auto Center Drive and Metrolink Station, Capital Improvement Project No. ST-2017-02, in the amount of \$385,555.

RECOMMENDED ACTION:

That the City Council:

- a. Adopt Plans and Specifications for the Traffic Signal Installation at Auto Center Drive and Metrolink Station, Capital Improvement Project No. ST-2017-02, Notice Inviting Bids 26-016SB.
- b. Award Notice Inviting Bids 26-016SB to High Light Electric, Inc., the lowest responsive, responsible bidder, for the total amount of \$385,555 and waive any and all minor irregularities in the bidding document as submitted by said bidder.

- c. Approve the construction contract with High Light Electric, Inc. for the Traffic Signal Installation at Auto Center Drive and Metrolink Station, Capital Improvement Project No. ST-2017-02, in the amount of \$385,555.
- d. Authorize the City Manager, or his designee, to execute the construction contract with High Light Electric Inc., in the amount of \$385,555, including any non-substantive exceptions, change orders, purchase orders, and amendments up to 10% which is equivalent to \$38,555 as authorized by Corona Municipal Code 3.08.050(H).
- e. Authorize the City Manager, or his designee, to issue a purchase order to High Light Electric Inc., in the amount of \$385,555.

BACKGROUND & HISTORY:

The Traffic Signal Installation at Auto Center Drive and Metrolink Station Capital Improvement Project No. ST-2017-02 will provide safety improvements by installing a new traffic signal at the intersection of Auto Center Drive and the Metrolink Station entrance, as shown in Exhibit 2. The project is warranted to improve circulation for the Metrolink Station owned and operated by the Riverside County Transportation Commission. The project also includes the installation of American with Disabilities Act (ADA) pedestrian push buttons, video detection system, and construction of a hardscape median.

ANALYSIS:

The Plans and Specifications for the project were completed and reviewed by City staff and are ready for adoption and award. As specified in the notice of inviting bids package, the City shall award the contract for the Project to the lowest, responsive, responsible bidder as determined by the lowest total for the base bid.

The project was advertised on November 24, 2025, soliciting bids, pursuant to Corona Municipal Code section 3.08.90, Public projects - formal bidding procedure, and purchasing policy through the City's PlanetBids bidding portal. Three 768 prospective bidders were notified of the project through the PlanetBids bidding portal, and 38 prospective bidders downloaded the bid document files. On January 12, 14 bids were received through the City's PlanetBids bidding portal for the Project as shown in the table below.

As stated in the contract and bid documents, Instructions to Bidders, "No bidder shall be allowed to make, submit, or be interested in more than one bid." Therefore, Crosstown Electrical & Data, Inc. was deemed a non-responsive bidder since they submitted a bid as a prime and are also listed as a subcontractor for other bids submitted.

The following is a summary of the bid results and the Engineer's estimate:

Contractor Name	Location	Base Bid Schedule
Engineer's Estimate		\$415,000
High Light Electric, Inc.	Corona, CA	\$385,555
LGC Construction	Canyon Lake, CA	\$394,627
* Crosstown Electrical & Data, Inc.	Irwindale, CA	\$413,986
International Line Builders, Inc.	Corona, CA	\$428,310
Select Electric, Inc.	Anaheim, CA	\$438,323
Elecnor Belco Electric, Inc.	Chino, CA	\$438,544
Miramar General Engineering	National City, CA	\$439,078
Alfaro Communications Construction, Inc.	Compton, CA	\$449,539
Asplundh Construction LLC	Buena Park, CA	\$476,276
PTM General Engineering Services	Riverside, CA	\$486,604
DBX, Inc.	Temecula, CA	\$488,512
CALPROMAX Engineering Inc.	Placentia, CA	\$513,085
Baker Electric & Renewables LLC	Escondido, CA	\$519,958
Universal Wiring Corp	La Habra, CA	\$675,615
* Deemed nonresponsive		

Staff have reviewed all bids and recommend awarding the contract to High Light Electric, Inc., as the lowest responsive, responsible bidder based on the bid schedule for a total contract amount of \$385,555. All licenses and references for High Light Electric, Inc. have been reviewed and verified by City staff, and all other documentation is in order.

Construction is tentatively scheduled to start in April, with completion anticipated in November.

FINANCIAL IMPACT:

Funding for the recommended actions is available in the Traffic Signal Installation at Auto Center Drive and Metrolink Station, Capital Improvement Project No. ST-2017-02, within the Public Works Grants/Agreements Fund 243, Gas Tax Fund 222, and Street and Traffic Signals Fund 211.

The estimated project costs are outlined as follows:

Construction.....			
.....\$385,555	Construction		Contingency
(10%).....		\$38,555	
<u>Construction</u>	<u>Support</u>	<u>(Inspection,</u>	<u>labor</u>
		<u>compliance,</u>	<u>staff</u>
		<u>time)</u>	
<u>.....\$53,977</u>			

Total	Project	Cost
.....		\$478,087

ENVIRONMENTAL ANALYSIS:

These actions are categorically exempt pursuant to Section 15301(c) of the Guidelines for the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA), which states that a project, which consists of minor repairs and maintenance to existing facilities, does not have a significant impact on the environment and is therefore exempt from CEQA. This action involves minor repairs, maintenance, and alteration of existing highways, streets, sidewalks, or similar features involving negligible or no expansion of use beyond that currently existing from the requirements of CEQA. A Notice of Exemption will be filed prior to the start of construction.

PREPARED BY: ISMAEL RIVERA, ASSOCIATE ENGINEER

REVIEWED BY: SAVAT KHAMPHOU, PUBLIC WORKS DIRECTOR

ATTACHMENTS:

1. Exhibit 1 – Construction Contract
2. Exhibit 2 - Location Map