



CITY OF SANTA BARBARA

COUNCIL AGENDA REPORT

AGENDA DATE: September 11, 2012

TO: Mayor and Councilmembers

FROM: Facilities Division, Waterfront Department

SUBJECT: Emergency Purchase Order For Ice House Compressor Replacement

RECOMMENDATION:

That Council approve an emergency purchase order pursuant to Santa Barbara Municipal Code Section 4.52.080 (E) in the amount of \$34,230 to TRJ Refrigeration, Inc., for the replacement and installation of a compressor for the Ice House.

DISCUSSION:

The Ice House located on the City Pier has provided high quality "flake" ice for the harbor's commercial fishing fleet since 1992. It is capable of producing up to 10 tons of ice daily and storing up to 12 tons. Santa Barbara's relatively large commercial fishing fleet relies heavily on the Ice House for ice to chill their catch prior to bringing it to market. The fish market also uses large amounts of ice for distribution of the local fleet's catch. When the Ice House breaks down the nearest source of ice used by the commercial fishing fleet and fish market is in Oxnard creating a significant inconvenience and increased cost.

The Ice House main compressor recently failed resulting in a complete shutdown of the facility. The acquisition and installation of a compressor of this size is very specialized and time consuming. Staff immediately solicited a proposal from a recognized and reputable refrigeration company capable of replacing the compressor in a timely manner. The Waterfront Director declared a need to make an emergency purchase order pursuant to SBMC Section 4.52.080 (A) on August 13, 2012, in an effort to expedite replacement of the compressor and return the Ice House to service. TRJ Refrigeration, Inc. was issued an emergency purchase order in the amount of \$34,230 to acquire and install the compressor. Installation was a very complicated procedure that required cutting a hole in the Ice House roof for the extraction of the old compressor and installation of the new one with a large crane. The Ice House was put back in service 20 days after the compressor failed.

BUDGET/FINANCIAL INFORMATION:

This project is funded by Waterfront Capital Funds. There are sufficient funds in the Waterfront – Facility Design and Capital Program to cover the cost of this project.

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APPROVED BY: City Administrator's Office