



Office of the City Manager

CONSENT CALENDAR  
January 27, 2026

To: Honorable Mayor and Members of the City Council

From: Paul Buddenhagen, City Manager

Submitted by: Terrance Davis, Director, Public Works

Subject: Contract: Siemens Industry, Inc. dba SIEMENS for Inspection, Testing, and Monitoring Services for the City's Fire and Life Safety System Equipment.

RECOMMENDATION

Adopt a Resolution authorizing the City Manager to execute a contract and subsequent amendments with Siemens Industry, Inc, for Inspection, Testing, Monitoring, and On-Call Maintenance Services for Fire and Life Safety equipment installed in 23 City owned buildings; in an amount not to exceed \$350,000 for the initial contract period March 1, 2026, through February 28, 2029, and with the option to extend the contract term for two additional years, for a total contract term of five years.

FISCAL IMPACTS OF RECOMMENDATION

Funds are available in the adopted FY2026 Public Works Budget (Funds 011, 601, 627, 636, 672, and 673) for Fire and Life Safety services. The yearly cost for this contract is estimated to be \$115,000-\$120,000. Funding for future years is subject to Council's approval of the proposed citywide budget for Fiscal Years 2027, 2028, and 2029.

CURRENT SITUATION AND ITS EFFECTS

The Public Works Department is responsible for maintaining the Fire and Life Safety equipment deployed throughout 23 different City buildings to ensure the equipment functions properly at all times and to maintain compliance with National Fire Protection Association (NFPA) guidelines and the California Fire Code. This includes semi-annual and annual inspection and testing of the Fire and Life Safety equipment, quarterly inspection and testing of sprinkler systems, Five Year Sprinkler System Certifications, and 24 hour per day monitoring of the City's Fire Alarm systems.

The current contract for Inspection, Testing, and Monitoring of the City's Fire and Life Safety systems expires on March 31, 2026. Authorization to execute a new Fire and Life Safety contract, to start March 1, 2026, ensures continued City compliance with NFPA guidelines and the State Fire Code.

Maintaining this critical safety infrastructure and around-the-clock monitoring of Fire and Life Safety systems is in alignment with the City's Strategic Plan Priority of advancing

our goal to provide state-of-the-art, well-maintained infrastructure, amenities, and facilities.

BACKGROUND

The City issued Request for Proposal Specification No. 25-11727-C for Fire and Life Safety System Inspection, Testing, and Monitoring services to support the Public Works Facilities and Building Maintenance Division, on September 4, 2025, and received three qualified responsive proposals. A selection panel comprised of Department subject matter experts evaluated the proposals based on the following criteria: Project Approach (30%), Expertise and References (20%), Cost (30%), and Background (20%).

Siemens was selected as the most responsive, qualified, and cost-effective vendor, able to service the full range of manufacturer's equipment and to meet the comprehensive needs outlined in the RFP Scope of Services for all 23 City service locations.

ENVIRONMENTAL SUSTAINABILITY AND CLIMATE IMPACTS

There are no identifiable environmental sustainability or climate impacts associated with the subject of this report.

RATIONALE FOR RECOMMENDATION

Public Works does not have the personnel or specialized equipment necessary to monitor the City's Fire Alarm systems 24 hours a day or the expertise to inspect, test and certify the other components of the City's Fire and Life Safety systems. The existing contract for Fire and Life System Inspection and Testing is due to expire March 31, 2026. Executing a new contract ensures that critical City safety infrastructure is well maintained and functions properly and that the City continues to follow local and state fire safety regulations.

ALTERNATIVE ACTIONS CONSIDERED

Public Works does not currently have staff with the experience and skills necessary to monitor, service, and certify the City's Fire and Life Safety infrastructure. As a result, contracting with an outside vendor is a necessity.

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Attachments:  
1: Resolution

RESOLUTION NO. ##,###-N.S.

CONTRACT: SIEMENS INDUSTRIES, INC. FOR INSPECTION, TESTING, AND  
MONITORING OF THE CITY'S FIRE AND LIFE SAFETY SYSTEM  
INFRASTRUCTURE

WHEREAS, the City's buildings require monitoring and testing of installed Fire and Life Safety Systems; and

WHEREAS, the City does not have the specialized training or staff to perform this work; and

WHEREAS, the City released RFP Specification No. 2511727-C on September 4, 2025; and

WHEREAS, the City received three qualified, responsive proposals and a selection panel comprised of subject matter experts from the Public Works Operations Divisions evaluated the proposals; and

WHEREAS, Siemens Industries, Inc. was selected as the most responsive and qualified vendor; and

WHEREAS, Inspection, Testing, and Monitoring to maintain the functional integrity of the City's Fire and Life Safety System infrastructure in City facilities is essential to the safety of City staff and to the public and ensures continued compliance with National Fire Protection Association (NFPA) guidelines and the California Fire Code; and

WHEREAS, funding is available in the Fiscal Year 2026 adopted budget in Funds 011, 601, 627, 672, and 673. Funding for future years is subject to Council's approval for the proposed citywide budget for Fiscal Years 2027, 2028, and 2029.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Council of the City of Berkeley that the City Manager is authorized to execute a contract and subsequent amendments with Siemens Industry, Inc, for Inspection, Testing, Monitoring, and On-Call Maintenance Services for the Fire and Life Safety equipment installed in 23 City owned buildings; in an amount not to exceed \$350,000 for the initial contract period March 1, 2026, through February 28, 2029, and with the option to extend the contract term for two additional years, for a total contract term of five years.



City of Berkeley  
Abstract of Bid Worksheet

Finance Department  
General Services Division

For: Fire & Life Safety System Inspection, Maintenance, Testing, 24 HR Monitoring  
Spec. 25-11727-C 10/28/2025

	Bidders		Local Vendor	WC	NF	OS	SC	LW	EBO
1	Siemens			X	X	X	X	X	X
2	Western States			X	X	X	X	X	X
3	Tri-Signal Integration	NO SIGNED FORMS SENT***							
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**Bid Recorder:**

*R Soorma*

DATE 28/10/2025

**Bid Opener:**

*Tanisha Gainer*

DATE 28/10/2025

**Project Manager:**

Tucker Broffitt *Tucker Broffitt*

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