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MEMORANDUM

TO: The Governing Board

FROM: 
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DATE: August 3, 2016

SUBJECT: **Agenda Item IX(e): Consideration of resolution authorizing a contract with Pooltechs for pool rehabilitation at Ramirez Canyon Park**

Staff Recommendation: That the Governing Board adopt the attached resolution authorizing a contract with Pooltechs for pool rehabilitation at Ramirez Canyon Park in an amount not to exceed \$25,430.00.

Background: The existing swimming pool at Ramirez Canyon Park, located next to the Art Deco House, is used as a reservoir for fire protection water. The pool was initially constructed as a residential amenity many years ago before MRCA began managing the property. The pool basin now exhibits structural cracks, causing water to leak at a fast rate. The existing single suction drain and lighting do not meet current codes, and the existing plaster and tile require replacement. In May and June 2016 staff solicited bids and advertised for contractors to rehabilitate the pool to remedy these conditions, so that it can continue to be used as water storage. Prices were obtained from four (4) qualified contractors.

Section 3.2(c) of the MRCA's Purchasing and Contracting Procedures states that all construction and improvement contracts in excess of \$25,000 must be approved by the Governing Board. Staff reviewed the bids and references and determined Pooltechs to be the lowest responsive, responsible bidder in accordance with Public Contract Code section 20815 *et seq.* The full list of bids and Pooltech's bid form are attached. A Notice of Intent to Award Bid was issued on July 26, 2016.

Consideration: The bid from Pooltechs is \$23,118.00 Staff recommends that the Board approve 10% more than the bid amount to allow for contingencies and conditions that may not be evident via a visual inspection of the pool, for a not to exceed total of \$25,430.00.

Fiscal Impact: Funding for the contract comes from an existing grant for capital improvements at Ramirez Canyon, and the expenditure was anticipated in the FY 16/17 budget. If the pool is not rehabilitated, MRCA would need to fill in the pool for

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safety reasons and determine a different source and storage method for fire protection water. These alternative measures would likely cost more than the subject contract and would have other impacts on the property. Completion of the pool rehabilitation will reduce ongoing maintenance and utility costs because the leaks will be fixed.