



NEVADA COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

Board Agenda Memo

MEETING DATE: July 28, 2026

TO: Board of Supervisors

FROM: **Justin Drinkwater, Director of Facilities**

SUBJECT: Resolution adopting Plans and Specifications and approving the Bidding Documents for the Design and Installation of Steel Mesh Safety Fencing and authorizing the Purchasing Division to solicit bids from pre-qualified contractors from a Request for Qualifications conducted earlier for this project.

RECOMMENDATION

Adopt the Resolution authorizing the distribution of Bidding Documents and Specifications for the Design and Installation of Steel Mesh Safety Fencing to the pre-qualified bidders.

FUNDING: This Resolution is for the solicitation of bids only. It is anticipated that after the prevailing bid is selected, a contract will be brought to the Board of Supervisors for approval and an amendment to the Sheriff's Office budget. A budget amendment is not needed at this time.

BACKGROUND

The second level residential areas of the Wayne Brown Correctional Facility are enclosed with steel pipe guardrails that were compliant with the standards of building when the facility was constructed in 1992. The Corrections staff have observed attempts by inmates to injure themselves or others by falling or causing a fall by another inmate or corrections staff. Other jurisdictions have employed safety fencing in their facilities as a measure to prevent harm to inmates or correctional staff.

The Sheriff's Office enlisted the assistance of the Purchasing Division to develop a two-step solicitation method due to the complexity of this type of work and the secured environment of the Jail. Step one which consisted of a Request for Qualifications to determine qualified contractors pursuant to Public Contract Code Section 20101. The qualified contractors would then be invited to bid on the project, step two, the Invitation for Bid, which is being brought before the Board of Supervisors herein.

Step one (Request for Qualifications) was released in April 2026. Three firms were determined to be qualified. Dynamic Trades, Inc. of Greenwood CA, Golden Bay Fence Plus Iron Works, Inc. of Stockton CA, Pisor Fence Division, Inc. of Antelope CA. Only these three firms will be invited to bid on the Design and Installation of Steel Mesh Safety Fencing.

The plans and specifications for this project are security sensitive and confidential. The plans and specifications are securely held by the County's Facilities department. The plans and specifications are available for distribution to the security screened and pre-approved list of

qualified firms and the Sheriff's Office is ready to pursue step two of this procurement (Invitation for Bid). The project will consist of shop drawings, fabrication installation and finishing of safety fence on the second level areas and stairs in the A, B and N pods of the Wayne Brown Correctional Facility. With the Board's approval, the bid opening will be scheduled for August 12, 2026. It is expected that the contract with the winning bidder will be negotiated and brought to the Board for approval in September of 2026.

In accordance with Public Contract Code Section 20150.12, the Board of Supervisor's shall adopt all plans and specifications of public projects which exceed \$10,000. Therefore, the Board's approval is required to proceed with solicitation of bids for this project.

Item Initiated by: Pat Souza

Approved by: Justin Drinkwater