

# Agenda Report

TO: CITY COUNCIL

April 12, 2004

FROM: City Manager

SUBJECT: Contract Award to Mega Way Enterprises for the Improvement of Seco Street, from Rosemont Avenue to Lincoln Avenue and from Linda Vista Avenue to West Drive, for an Amount Not to Exceed \$ 547,000.00

**RECOMMENDATION:**

It is recommended that the City Council:

1. Accept the bid dated March 24, 2004, submitted by Mega Way Enterprises in response to the Specifications for Improvement of Seco Street, from Rosemont Avenue to Lincoln Avenue and from Linda Vista Avenue to West Drive; reject all other bids received; and authorize the City Manager to enter into such contract as is required.
2. Acknowledge the projects are covered in the Arroyo Seco Master Environmental Impact Report under the California Environmental Quality Act of 1984 in accordance with Article 11.5, Section 15177 of the Resources Agency of California Guidelines; that an Initial Study was prepared, and it was found that the proposed project is within the scope of the MEIR; that the project will not have new or additional significant effects that were not analyzed in the MEIR, and that no additional mitigation measures or alternatives are required of the project; and that a Notice of Determination was filed on February 18, 2004 with the Los Angeles County Clerk.
3. Approve a journal voucher transferring \$67,000 from the Budget Account 74101, Westgate Street – Replacement of Street Lights, and appropriating it to Budget Account No. 73121, Complete Sidewalk Along North and South Side of Seco Street.

**BACKGROUND:**

The subject projects call for street and sidewalk improvements along Seco Street from Rosemont Avenue to Lincoln Avenue, and Linda Vista Avenue to West Drive. The projects will provide improved access for pedestrians who walk to Brookside Park or to events at the Rose Bowl. A description of the proposed improvements is provided below.

**Seco Street - Rosemont Avenue to Lincoln Avenue (North Side Only)**

The improvements consist of the construction of a five-foot wide sidewalk and five-foot wide parkway; curb and gutter; variable height retaining wall; the relocation of four existing streetlights; the removal of one street tree, the relocation of two street trees, and the planting of 11 new street trees.

**Seco Street - Linda Vista Avenue to West Drive**

The improvements consist of the construction of a six-foot wide sidewalk; curb and gutter;

variable height retaining wall; a catch basin and storm drain connector pipe; the relocation of one existing streetlight; the repair and minor addition to an existing Arroyo stone wall; the removal of six street trees, the relocation of one street tree, and the planting of nine new street trees.

The subject projects were approved with comments by the Urban Forestry Advisory Committee on October 22, 2003, and the Design Commission on November 11, 2003.

A finding of compliance with the General Plan was previously made and the projects are shown on pages 2.19 and 2.20 of the FY 2004-2009 Capital Improvement Program.

Under the State Guidelines for the Implementation of the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA), an Initial Study was prepared for the project. It was determined that the proposed projects are within the scope of the Arroyo Seco Master Plans MEIR, that the projects will not have new or additional significant effects that were not analyzed in the MEIR, and that no additional mitigation measures or alternatives are required of the projects. A Notice of Determination was filed on February 18, 2004, with the Los Angeles County Clerk.

The projects were advertised in the Pasadena Star News on February 25, 2004. In addition, the Notice Inviting Bids was published in five trade publications. Bid packets were obtained by 38 Contractors, five of whom submitted bids for the project.

Following advertising, bids were received on March 24, 2004, and are as follows:

	<u>Bidder</u>	<u>Amount</u>
1.	Mega Way Enterprises	\$ 497,003.20
2.	Thomsen Landscape	\$ 647,986.00
3.	E.C. Construction	\$ 661,957.27
4.	Topline Construction	\$ 675,492.70
5.	Excel Paving Company	\$ 722,458.50
	Engineer's Estimate	\$ 471,000.00

It is recommended that Mega Way Enterprises be awarded the contract for this project, as they are the lowest responsive and responsible bidder, and that the other bids be rejected. The proposed contract with Mega Way Enterprises fully complies with the competitive bidding ordinance and the rules and regulations promulgated thereunder as did the Contractor selection process. The Contractor has indicated that the award of this contract will result in no new hires to his present workforce. Construction will begin in June 2004.

The contract for this project will be set up as follows:

Base Bid	\$ 497,003.20
Contingency Allowance	<u>\$ 49,996.80</u>
Contract "Not to Exceed" Amount	\$ 547,000.00

Rose Bowl Mitigation Funds in the amount of \$899,078 were set aside to complete a series of projects in the Rose Bowl area. The projects included the installation of sidewalk on two segments of Seco Street and the installation of street light on Westgate Street and Palisades Street. (Project limits are listed in the table below.) The Palisades Street lighting project was identified to have the lowest priority and would not be constructed until all other mitigation projects are completed and funding availability confirmed. The street lighting project on Westgate Street has been completed below project budget resulting in cost savings that can be transferred to the sidewalk projects.

Project	Appropriations Through FY2004	Changes	Revised Appropriations
Complete Sidewalk Along North and South Side of Seco Street - 73121	\$410,000	\$67,000	\$477,000
Seco Street – Sidewalk Along East Side from Linda Vista Avenue to West Drive - 73122	\$260,000		\$260,000
Westgate Street – Replacement of Street Lights - 74101	\$161,500	(\$67,000)	\$94,500
Palisades Street – New Street Lights Arroyo Boulevard to Forest Avenue - 74102	\$67,578		\$67,578

An additional \$67,000 is required to complete the sidewalk project due to the addition to the project scope of arroyo stone facing on the retaining wall. The *Arroyo Seco Design Guidelines (ASDG)* state that, "Wall improvements in the Arroyo Seco shall consist primarily of walls that are faced in arroyo stone." The *ASDG* allows for spilt-face block to be used where appropriate as determined by the Design Commission. Given the high visibility of this project, the arroyo stone wall finish was selected for this project. The initial funding request did not include the cost of arroyo stone facing because the *ASDG* had not been approved at the time of project scoping. Based on the bids received, it is now known that the additional cost to the project for the wall is about \$85,000.

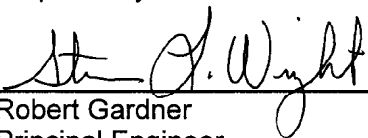
**FISCAL IMPACT:**

With approval of the transfer of \$67,000 to Budget Account No. 73121, Complete Sidewalk Along North and South Side of Seco Street, sufficient funds will be available to complete this project.

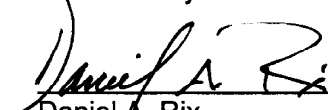
Respectfully submitted,

  
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 City Manager

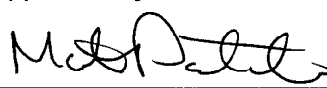
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