

Agenda Report

TO: CITY COUNCIL

August 22, 2005

FROM: City Manager

SUBJECT: Contract Award to Christopher R. Morales, Inc, for the Installation of In-fill Lighting on Lincoln Avenue from Seco Street to North City Limits for an Amount not to exceed \$ 549,700.

RECOMMENDATION:

It is recommended that the City Council:

1. Accept the bid dated August 12, 2005, submitted by Christopher R. Morales, Inc. in response to the Specifications for Installation of In-fill Lighting on Lincoln Avenue from Seco Street to North City Limits, reject all other bids received, and authorize the City Manager to enter into such contract as is required.
2. Adopt a resolution approving Program Supplement Agreement No. M069 to Administrating Agency – State Agreement 07-5064 between the City of Pasadena and the State of California, for State Reimbursement of costs for North Lincoln Avenue Enhancements (73405), Federal-Aid Project No. RPSTPLE-5064(036).

BACKGROUND:

This project calls for the installation of concrete post-top in-fill lighting on Lincoln Avenue from Seco Street to the North City Limits. The work also includes installation of street light conduit, foundations, conductors, pull boxes, and miscellaneous appurtenant work.

All work on Lincoln Avenue is in accordance with the Lincoln Avenue Design, Land Use and Market Study adopted by the City Council. This project would increase the safety and attractiveness of the corridor, as well as promoting business and revitalizing the surrounding neighborhoods.

A finding of compliance with the General Plan was previously made and is shown on page 2.17 of the FY 2006-2010 Capital Improvement Program.

This project has been determined to be Categorical Exempt in accordance with the requirements of the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) and Programmatic Categorical Exclusion in accordance with the requirements of the National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA). The California Department of Transportation, which is administering the funds provided under H.R. 5394, has approved the environmental documents and the Notice of Exemption has been recorded with the Los Angeles County Clerk.

The Public Works Department prepared plans and specifications for the subject project and bids have been received.

The project was advertised in the Pasadena Journal on July 21, 2005. In addition, the Notice Inviting Bids was published in five trade publications. Bid packets were obtained by 8 contractors, 4 of whom submitted bids for the project.

Following advertising, bids were received on August 12, 2005, and are as follows:

<u>Bidder</u>	<u>Amount</u>
1. Christopher R. Morales, Inc., City of Industry	\$499,780
2. M. S. Navarro Engineering, Northridge	\$579,022
3. Comet Electric, Inc., Canoga Park	\$668,590
4. Steiny and Company, Inc., Baldwin Park	\$855,760
Engineer's Estimate	\$465,200

The lowest bid received was 7.43% higher than the Engineer's Estimate.

Even though the low bid exceeds the Engineer's Estimate, there is no reason to suspect that re-advertising the project will result in lower bids. Therefore, it is recommended that Christopher R. Morales, Inc. 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 Christopher R. Morales, Inc. 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.

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

Base Bid	\$ 499,780
Contingency Allowance	\$ 49,920
Contract "Not to Exceed" Amount	\$ 549,700

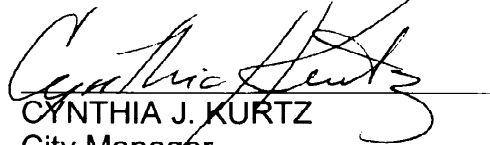
Construction will begin in October 2005 and be completed in February 2006.

The majority of funding for this project is from federal funds. The State of California acting through the California Department of Transportation (Caltrans), administers federal transportation funds. These funds are paid to the City of Pasadena pursuant to the provisions of Administrating Agency – State Agreement No. 07-5064 (City of Pasadena Agreement No. 16,298) entered into by the parties on April 3, 1997. To obtain funds for a specific project it is necessary to execute a separate supplemental agreement for the project. Therefore, it is recommended that a resolution be adopted, approving Program Supplement No. M069 for this project.

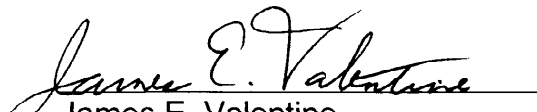
FISCAL IMPACT:

Approval of the Program Supplement Agreement No.M069 to Administrating Agency State Agreement No. 07-5064 will enable the City to obtain Federal reimbursement of eligible costs. Adequate funds are available in the Budget Account No. 73405 to cover the City's share of project costs.

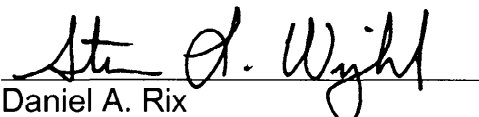
Respectfully submitted,


CYNTHIA J. KURTZ
City Manager

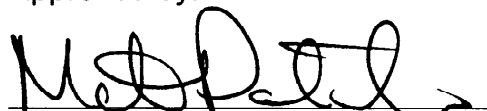
Prepared by:


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For Daniel A. Rix
City Engineer

Approved by:


Martin Pastucha, Director
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RESOLUTION NO. _____

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY
OF PASADENA APPROVING A PROGRAM SUPPLEMENT AGREEMENT
TO ADMINISTERING AGENCY – STATE AGREEMENT FOR
FEDERAL-AID PROJECTS APPROVING A REQUEST FOR
FEDERAL REIMBURSEMENT FOR THE NORTH LINCOLN AVENUE
ENHANCEMENTS PROJECT

WHEREAS, the City of Pasadena and the State of California, acting through the Department of Transportation, entered into Administering Agency – State Agreement No. 07-5064 on April 3, 1997 regarding Federal-Aid highway projects; and

WHEREAS, the North Lincoln Avenue Enhancements [Federal-Aid Project Number RPSTPLE-5064 (036)] is a supplemental project to this program.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the City Council of the City of Pasadena that Program Supplement No. M069 to Administering Agency – State Agreement No. 07-5064 between the City of Pasadena and the State of California, acting through the Department of Transportation, for the North Lincoln Avenue Enhancements Project, is hereby approved, the City Manager is authorized and directed to execute same on behalf of the City, and the City Clerk is directed to attest her signature and affix the corporate seal of the City thereto.

Adopted at the _____ meeting of the City Council on the _____
day of _____, by the following vote:

AYES:


NOES:

ABSENT:

ABSTAIN:

JANE L. RODRIGUEZ, CITY CLERK

Approved as to form:

 8/9/05

NICHOLAS GEORGE RODRIGUEZ
Assistant City Attorney