

## Agenda Report

TO: CITY COUNCIL

**DATE**: October 17, 2005

FROM: CITY MANAGER

SUBJECT: CONTRACT AWARD TO E.C. CONSTRUCTION FOR THE INSTALLATION OF TRAFFIC CHOKERS IN BUNGALOW HEAVEN – PHASE 1 FOR AN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$136,000.00

#### RECOMMENDATION

It is recommended that the City Council:

- 1. Accept the bid dated September 23, 2005, submitted by E. C. Construction in response to the Installation of Traffic Chokers in Bungalow Heaven Phase 1, reject all other bids received and authorize the City Manager to enter into a contract not to exceed \$136,000.00, which includes the base bid of \$123,926.75 and \$12,073.25 for any additional work the City may order pursuant to the project specifications.
- 2. Acknowledge the project to be categorically exempt under Section 21084 of the California Environmental Quality Act of 1984 in accordance with Article 19, Section 15301 (Class 1), subsection (c) of the Resources Agency of California Guidelines (minor alterations involving negligible expansion of use beyond that previously existing) pursuant to the findings of the Secretary of the Resources Agency and authorize the City Manager to execute and the City Clerk to file a Notice of Exemption for the project with the Los Angeles County Clerk.

#### BACKGROUND

The Installation of Permanent Chokers in Bungalow Heaven Project is included in the adopted Capital Improvement Program. The installation of chokers will result in better traffic and pedestrian safety. The work consists of the removal and reconstruction of curb and gutter, sidewalk, landscaping, and appurtenant work. The chokers will be installed in four phases. The proposed phasing plan has been modified from the plan as shown in the CIP to accommodate neighborhood needs and funding limitation. The proposed phasing is as follows:

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Phase 1 of the project calls for the installation of eight raised traffic chokers to replace existing painted chokers in Bungalow Heaven area along the south side of Washington Boulevard at Mentor Avenue, Catalina Avenue, Wilson Avenue, Michigan Avenue and north side of Orange Grove Boulevard at Mentor Avenue.

Phase 2 includes six chokers at three intersections along the north side of Orange Grove Boulevard at Catalina Avenue, Wilson Avenue, and Mar Vista Avenue.

Phase 3 includes six chokers at three remaining intersections along north side of Orange Grove Boulevard at Michigan Avenue, Chester Avenue, and Holliston Avenue.

Phase 4 includes six chokers at three remaining along south side of Washington Boulevard at Chester Avenue, Holliston Avenue, and Mar Vista Avenue.

A project map which includes all four phases is included in the report. The construction of phases 2, 3, and 4 will be scheduled when funding becomes available.

Under the State Guidelines for the Implementation of the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA), this project is categorically exempt since the work involves minor alternations of existing public streets and negligible expansion of use beyond that previously existing. Therefore, it is recommended that a Notice of Exemption be filed with the Los Angeles County Clerk.

The Public Works Department prepared plans and specifications for the subject project in accordance with Section 4.08.070 of the Pasadena Municipal Code, bids have been requested and received. The project was advertised in the Pasadena Journal on August 25, 2005. In addition, the Notice Inviting Bids was published in four trade publications, listed on two web sites, and mailed out to 74 potential bidders. Bid packets were obtained by six contractors, four of whom submitted bids for the project.

Following advertising, bids were opened on September 23, 2005, and are as follows:

	Bidder	<u>Amount</u>
1. 2. 3. 4.	E. C. Construction, South El Monte Tyner Paving Company, Los Angeles Sequel Contractors, Inc., Santa Fe Springs Damon Construction Company, Cypress	\$ 123,926.75 \$ 129,476.15 \$ 144,807.50 \$ 167,762.30
	Engineer's Estimate	\$ 115,500.00

It is recommended that E. C. Construction be awarded the contract for this project as they are the lowest responsive and responsible bidder. The proposed contract with E.C. Construction fully complies with the Competitive Bidding and Living Wage Ordinances. The Contractor has indicated that the award of this contract will result in no new hires to his present workforce.

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The proposed contract would be set up as follows:

Base Bid	\$ 123,926.75
Contingency Allowance	\$ 12,073.25
Contract "Not to Exceed" Amount	\$ 136,000.00

Construction will begin in October 2005 and will be completed in November 2005.

#### FISCAL IMPACT:

Funds for this project are available in Budget Account No. 75039, Installation of Permanent Chokers in Bungalow Heaven.

Respectfully submitted, CYNTHIA J. KURTZ

City Manager

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### INSTALLATION OF PERMANENT CHOKERS IN BUNGALOW HEAVEN



