

Agenda Report

TO: CITY COUNCIL

DATE: February 26, 2007

FROM: CITY MANAGER

SUBJECT: CONTRACT AWARD TO CALIFORNIA PROFESSIONAL ENGINEERING, INC., FOR THE INSTALLATION OF TRAFFIC SIGNALS ON LAKE AVENUE AT RIO GRANDE STREET AND ON ORANGE GROVE BOULEVARD AT GARFIELD AVENUE FOR AN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$ 216,600.00

RECOMMENDATION

It is recommended that the City Council:

1. Accept the bid dated February 14, 2007 submitted by California Professional Engineering, Inc., in response to the Specifications for the Installation of Traffic Signals on Lake Avenue at Rio Grande Street and on Orange Grove Boulevard at Garfield Avenue; reject all other bids received; and authorize the City Manager to enter into a contract for an amount not to exceed \$ 216,600.00.
2. Acknowledge the project to be categorically exempt under Section 21084 of the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) 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

This project consists of the installation of a new traffic signal on Lake Avenue at Rio Grande Street and the installation of a permanent traffic signal to replace the temporary traffic signal on Orange Grove Boulevard at Garfield Avenue. Bids were previously requested for the traffic signal at Orange Grove Boulevard and Garfield Avenue, but the only bid received was rejected as it exceeded the engineer's estimate by 47 percent. As a result, city forces installed the existing temporary traffic signal.

The installations of these traffic signals are in accordance with the North Lake Specific Plan and the Fair Oaks/Orange Grove Specific Plan, respectively.

These two projects were combined into a single project to maximize construction cost effectiveness and contract administration and construction inspection efficiency. The work includes the installation of new traffic signal and street light standards, traffic signal equipment, loop detectors, video detection cameras, street light luminaires, conduit, conductors, pull boxes, channelization striping, pavement markings, signage, and miscellaneous appurtenant work.

Findings of compliance with the General Plan were previously made and are shown on pages 2.18 and 2.21 of the FY 2007-2012 Capital Improvement Program.

Under the State Guidelines for the Implementation of the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA), this project is categorically exempt since the work consists of minor alterations involving 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 Department of Public Works prepared plans and specifications for this project and bids have been received.

This project was advertised in the Pasadena Journal on January 18, 2007. In addition, the Notice Inviting Bids was published in two trade publications and two websites. Bid packets were obtained by twelve contractors, eight of whom submitted bids for the project.

Following advertising, bids were received on February 14, 2007, and are as follows:

<u>Bidder</u>	<u>Amount</u>
1. California Professional Engineering, Inc., South El Monte	\$ 196,953.89
2. Terno, Inc., La Mirada	\$ 237,582.00
3. Christopher R. Morales, Inc., City of Industry	\$ 239,483.50
4. C. T. & F., Inc, Bell Gardens	\$ 249,554.94
5. CSI Electrical Contractors, Inc., Santa Fe Springs	\$ 252,174.00
6. KDC Inc, dba Dynalectric, Los Alamitos	\$ 257,900.00
7. Steiny and Company, Inc., Baldwin Park	\$ 259,892.60
8. Freeway Electric, Riverside	\$ 364,070.00
Engineer's Estimate	\$ 219,722.00

The lowest bid received was ten percent lower than the Engineer's Estimate. Therefore, it is recommended that California Professional Engineering, Inc. be awarded a contract for this project as they are the lowest responsive and responsible bidder and that the other bids be rejected. The proposed contract with California Professional Engineering, Inc. 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.

The contract will be set up as follows:

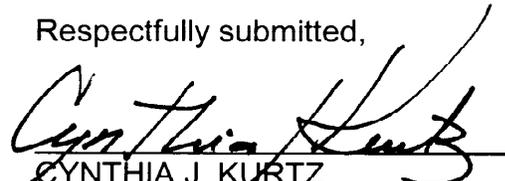
Base Bid	\$ 196,953.89
Contingency Allowance	\$ <u>19,646.11</u>
Contract "Not to Exceed" Amount	\$ 216,600.00

It is anticipated that construction will begin in mid April 2007 and be completed in July 2007.

FISCAL IMPACT

Funds for this project are available in the Capital Improvement Program, Budget Account No. 75954, North Lake Specific Plan and Budget Account No. 73129, Fair Oaks/Orange Grove Specific Plan.

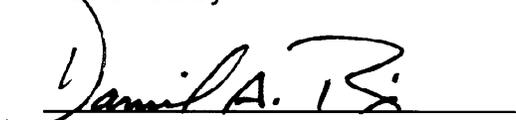
Respectfully submitted,


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**Disclosure Pursuant to the
City of Pasadena Taxpayer Protection Amendment of 2000
Pasadena City Charter, Article XVII**

Contractor/Organization hereby discloses its trustees, directors, partners, officers, and those with more than a 10% equity, participation, or revenue interest in Contractor/Organization, as follows:

(If printing, please print legibly. Use additional sheets as necessary.)

1. Contractor/Organization Name:

California Professional Engineering

2. Name(s) of trustees, directors, partners, officers of Contractor/Organization:

Van Nguyen, General Manager

3. Names of those with more than a 10% equity, participation or revenue interest in Contractor/Organization: (MUST NOT BE LEFT BLANK, IF NONE, WRITE NONE)

Van Nguyen General Manager

Prepared by: Van Nguyen

Title: General Manager

Date: 2/14/07

For office use only:

Contract/Transaction No. _____

If not a contract, type of transaction: _____