

Agenda Report

TO: CITY COUNCIL

DATE: August 4, 2008

FROM: CITY MANAGER

SUBJECT: CONTRACT AWARD TO STREETLIGHT RESTORATION SPECIALISTS, INC., FOR THE PAINTING OF PLAYHOUSE DISTRICT STREET LIGHT POLES FOR AN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$148,500

RECOMMENDATION:

It is recommended that the City Council:

1. Accept the bid dated July 8, 2008, submitted by Streetlight Restoration Specialists, Inc., in response to the Specifications for the Painting of Playhouse District Street Light Poles, reject all other bids received, and authorize the City Manager to enter into such contract as is required for an amount not to exceed \$148,500; and
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:

A contract for this work was previously awarded on November 5, 2007. Due to financial difficulties of the contractor, the contract was rescinded on May 19, 2008, and the project readvertised for bids.

This project consists of the painting of all existing metal street light poles on Colorado Boulevard between Los Robles Avenue and Lake Avenue, all existing metal street light poles on Green Street between Los Robles Avenue and Hill Avenue and the metal ornamental poles on El Molino Avenue between Green Street and Union Street.

All work is within the Pasadena Playhouse District, except for the poles on Green Street between Lake and Hill Avenues. The poles within the Pasadena Playhouse District will be painted black in accordance with the Pasadena Playhouse District Streetscapes, Walkway and Alley Plan. The poles outside the District will be painted gray.

The work consists of the removal and disposal of the existing paint, cleaning, surface preparation, priming and painting of existing metal street light poles and other miscellaneous appurtenant work.

Findings of compliance with the General Plan were previously made and are shown on page 2.19 of the FY 2009-2014 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 specifications for this project and bids have been received.

This project was advertised in the Pasadena Journal on June 5, 2008. In addition, the Notice Inviting Bids was published in two trade publications and two websites. Bid packets were obtained by 25 contractors, six of whom submitted bids for the project.

Following advertising, bids were received on July 9, 2008, and are as follows:

	<u>Bidder</u>	<u>Amount</u>
1.	Streetlight Restoration Specialists, Inc., Simi Valley	\$134,979
2.	Everlast Painting Co., Santa Clarita	\$169,270
3.	C. T. Georgiou Painting Co., Wilmington	Non-Responsive
4.	Grace Building Maintenance Co., Inc., Los Angeles	Non-Responsive
5.	Industry Coating Co., San Pedro	Non-Responsive
6.	Southland Construction, Irvine	Non-Responsive
	Engineer's Estimate	\$152,400

Due to problems on previous projects with paint peeling from newly street light standards and the presence of lead paint on this project, very detailed specifications were prepared requiring contractors to have considerable experience in painting light poles using high performance materials. Furthermore, a detailed work plan, including containment of lead paint, was required with the bid. Four of the six bids received were deemed to be non-responsive due to lack of experience or failure to submit the required containment plan.

The lowest responsive bid received was 11percent lower than the Engineer's Estimate. Therefore, it is recommended that Streetlight Restoration Specialists, 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 Streetlight Restoration Specialists, 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:

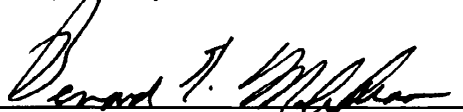
Base Bid	\$134,979
Contingency Allowance	<u>\$ 13,521</u>
Contract "Not to Exceed" Amount	\$148,500

It is anticipated that work will begin in early September and be completed in early November 2008.

FISCAL IMPACT:

Funds for this project are available in Budget Account No. 73397, Playhouse District Streetscapes and Paseos Plan – Phase I and Budget Account No. 74346, Repair and/or Replacement of Existing Street Lighting Systems.

Respectfully submitted,



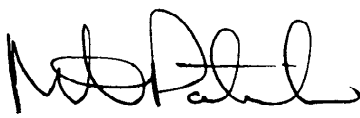
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