

# Agenda Report

Date: November 24, 2008

**TO:** CITY COUNCIL

**FROM:** CITY MANAGER

**THROUGH:** FINANCE COMMITTEE November 24, 2008

**SUBJECT:** AUTHORIZATION TO ENTER INTO A CONTRACT WITH PERRY C. THOMAS TO PROVIDE LABOR AND MATERIALS FOR CONSTRUCTION OF UNDERGROUND ELECTRICAL CONDUIT SYSTEMS FOR THE WATER AND POWER DEPARTMENT.

## **RECOMMENDATION:**

It is recommended that the City Council:

1. Find that the project is exempt from CEQA review pursuant to State CEQA Guidelines Section 15302(c), Replacement or reconstruction of existing utility systems and/or facilities involving negligible or no expansion of capacity.
2. Accept the bid dated September 19, 2008 submitted by Perry C. Thomas Construction in response to Specifications LD-08-8 for construction of underground electrical conduit equipment along Alameda Street, Sierra Bonita Avenue and Altadena Drive; reject all other bids; and authorize a contract to Perry C. Thomas not to exceed \$1,545,505.00, which includes the base amount of \$1,405,005.00 plus a 10% contingency of \$140,500.00 for any necessary change orders; and
3. Approve a journal voucher recognizing and appropriating \$1,500,000 in Power Funds from the unappropriated Power Fund balance to Capital Improvement Fund 3002, Distribution System Expansion.

**BACKGROUND:**

Pasadena Water and Power Department (Department) has begun a capital improvement project to replace the 4 kV distribution system with a 17 kV system to improve electrical service reliability.

On September 4, 2008, a Notice Inviting Bids for the construction of underground systems related to the 4kV conversion at specific City locations under Specification LD-08-8 was published in *The Pasadena Journal* and posted on the City's web page. In addition, specifications were mailed to four businesses on the Purchasing Division's vendor list.

Four bids were opened on September 19, 2008 for Specification LD-08-8. Perry C. Thomas Construction was the lowest responsive bidder that met all of the requirements of the specification.

	<b><u>LD-08-8</u></b>
<b><u>BIDDERS</u></b>	
<b>Perry C. Thomas</b>	<b>\$1,405,005.00</b>
Doty Bros.	\$1,628,137.00
Irish Construction	\$1,798,246.00
PAR Electric Contractors	\$1,862,000.00

Perry C. Thomas Construction was the lowest responsive bidder that met all of the requirements of the specification and is recommended to receive the contract award for work described in Specification LD-08-8 for an amount not to exceed \$1,545,505.00. The contract amounts include the base contract amount plus a 10% contingency.

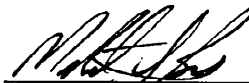
The proposed contract will allow the Department to construct the underground substructure necessary to connect the existing underground electrical system to the existing overhead electrical system in specified locations within 90 days after a Notice to Proceed is issued. The project is consistent with the public facilities element of the General Plan for the City of Pasadena.

The proposed contracts are in compliance with Competitive Bidding and Purchasing Ordinance P.M.C. 4.08 and the rules and regulations promulgated there under.

**FISCAL IMPACT:**

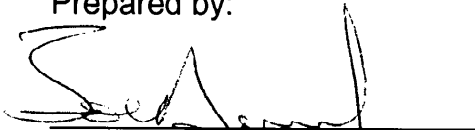
If approved, the contract will be funded by Capital fund 411, project 3002, Distribution System Expansion. Staff recommends recognizing and appropriating \$1,500,000 in Power Funds from the unappropriated Power Fund balance to the Distribution System Expansion Project 3002.

Respectfully submitted,



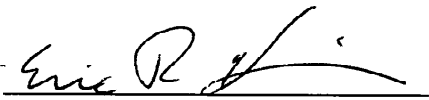
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