

Agenda Report

TO: CITY COUNCIL

DATE: SEPTEMBER 22, 2008

FROM: CITY MANAGER

SUBJECT: CONTRACT AWARD TO DIVERSIFIED LANDSCAPE MANAGEMENT INC. FOR THE LANDSCAPING OF NEW YORK DRIVE MEDIAN ISLANDS FROM SIERRA MADRE BOULEVARD TO 700 FEET SOUTH OF BRADLEY STREET, FOR AN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$87,500

RECOMMENDATION:

It is recommended that the City Council:

- Accept the bid, dated September 10, 2008, submitted by Diversified Landscape Management Inc. in response to the specifications for the Landscaping of New York Drive Median Islands from Sierra Madre Boulevard to 700 feet South of Bradley Street; and reject all other bids received; and Authorize the City Manager to enter into a contract not to exceed \$87,500; and
- 2. Acknowledge the project to be categorically exempt under Article 19, Section 15304, subsection (b) of the California Environment Quality Act (CEQA) in accordance with section 21084 of the Public Resources Code.

BACKGROUND:

The project will provide for the removal of existing asphalt and concrete paving within the median islands and the installation of a new irrigation system and planting. The work will include the installation of a low-flow irrigation system which eliminates overspray, and drought tolerant plants in the median island on New York Drive from Sierra Madre Boulevard to 70 feet south of Bradley Street. This project is included in the City's adopted FY 2009 Capital Improvement program.

Plans and specifications for the subject project were prepared by the Department of Public Works.

The project was advertised in the Pasadena Journal on August 7, 2008. In addition, the Notice Inviting Bids was published in three websites and was sent out to twelve contractors. Bid packets were obtained by 28 contractors, 12 of whom submitted bids for the project.

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In accordance with Section 4.08.070 of the Pasadena Municipal Code, bids have been requested and received.

Following advertising, bids were received on September 10, 2008, and are as follows:

	<u>Bidder</u>	<u>Amount</u>
1.	Diversified Landscape Management, Inc.	\$ 79,529
2.	E.C. Construction	\$ 81,773
3.	American Landscape, Inc.	\$ 87,006
4.	Mariposa Horticulture	\$ 94,564
5.	Two Horse Construction	\$104,669
6.	Yakar, Inc.	\$107,711
7.	Moss Urban Works	\$108,500
8.	Pierre Sprinkler & Landscape	\$108,548
9.	Belaire-West Landscape, Inc.	\$108,640
10.	G. Coast Construction	\$122,420
11.	Pima Corporation dba	\$130,216
12.	E L Engineering Corp	\$156,890
	Engineer's Estimate	\$ 97,425

The total bid price of the improvements from the lowest responsive bidder was 18.64% lower than the engineer's estimate. Sufficient funds are available in the Capital Improvement Program to fund the project. Staff believes the lowest responsive bidder is capable of performing the work in a reasonable and professional manner. It is anticipated that construction will begin in October 2008, and will be completed by December 2008.

It is recommended that Diversified Landscape Management, Inc., be awarded the contract for this project as they are the lowest responsive and responsible bidder and that all other bids be rejected. The proposed contract with Diversified Landscape Management, 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 the present workforce.

The proposed contract with Diversified Landscape Management, Inc., will be as follows:

Base Bid	\$79,529
Contingency Allowance	\$ 8,471
Contract "Not to Exceed" Amount	\$88,000

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FISCAL IMPACT:

Sufficient funding is available in Capital Improvement Program budget account 78803, New York Drive Median Islands.

Respectfully submitted,

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City Manager

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