

# Agenda Report

Date: April 27, 2009

TO: CITY COUNCIL

FROM: CITY MANAGER

THROUGH: FINANCE COMMITTEE April 27, 2009

**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 proposed work covered under this contract was adequately analyzed as part of the Mitigated Negative Declaration that was adopted by the City Council on April 30, 2007 for the SMV/Noise Within and Walnut/Kinneloa Street Extension project, and there are no changed circumstances or new information which would require further environmental review;
- 2. Accept the bid dated January 20, 2009 submitted by Perry C. Thomas Construction in response to Specifications LD-08-13 for construction of underground electrical conduit equipment along Altadena Drive, Walnut Street and Vinedo Avenue; reject all other bids; and authorize a contract to Perry C. Thomas not to exceed \$279,424 which includes the base amount of \$254,021 plus a 10% contingency of \$25,403 for any necessary change orders; and
- Approve a journal voucher recognizing and appropriating an additional \$750,000 in Power Funds from the unappropriated Power Fund balance to Capital Improvement Fund 3161, Distribution Capacity and Reliability Sustaining Program.

MEETING OF 04/27/2009 AGENDA ITEM NO. 5.B.1.

#### BACKGROUND:

In FY 2010 the Public Works Department will widen Walnut Street in the vicinity of the Santa Anita electrical substation (Capital Project 73403). Such street improvements require the Water and Power Department to relocate some of its existing electrical infrastructure on Walnut Street. This work was not included in the Department's work plan for the current year, and funding was not previously requested in the fiscal year 2009 budget.

On January 1, 2009, a Notice Inviting Bids to provide labor and materials for construction of underground electrical conduit systems on Altadena drive, Walnut Street and Vinedo Avenue under Specification LD-08-13 was published in *The Pasadena Journal* and posted on the City's web page. In addition, specifications were mailed to seven businesses on the Purchasing Division's vendor list.

Five bids were opened on January 20, 2009 for Specification LD-08-13.

### **BIDDERS**

Perry C. Thomas	\$254,021
Doty Bros.	\$303,307
Irish Construction	\$339,133
Herman Weissker	\$450,544
Henkels and McCoy	\$588,894

The lowest bid is below the Engineer's estimate of \$350,000.

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-08-13 for an amount not to exceed \$279,424.00. The contract amount includes the base contract amount plus a 10% contingency.

The proposed contract will consist of constructing new underground infrastructure to support the Public Works project and is expected to be completed 30 days after the 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 the Power Capital fund 411, project 3161, Distribution Capacity and Reliability Sustaining Program. Staff recommends appropriating \$750,000 from the unappropriated Power Fund balance to this project. A portion (\$279,424) of the requested appropriation amount will be used to fund this contract, and the remainder (\$470,576) will be used to fund the necessary electrical work, including installation of new cable and removal of the old cable system. The electrical construction work will follow the civil construction and will be performed after the summer months in fiscal year 2010 by either Department construction crews or City contractors.

Respectfully submitted,

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