

Agenda Report

TO: CITY COUNCIL

DATE: May 18, 2009

FROM: CITY MANAGER

SUBJECT: CONTRACT AWARD TO VART CONSTRUCTION, INC. FOR THE ARROYO PARKWAY STORM DRAIN REHABILITATION - PHASE 1 FROM DEL MAR BOULEVARD TO FILLMORE STREET FOR AN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$352,000

RECOMMENDATION:

It is recommended that the City Council:

1. Acknowledge that the project is categorically exempt under the California Environmental Quality Act in accordance with Section 15301 (Class 1), minor alteration of existing public facilities involving negligible or no expansion of use beyond that existing at the time of the lead agency's determination; and
2. Accept the bid dated May 6, 2009, submitted by Vart Construction, Inc. for the Arroyo Parkway Storm Drain Rehabilitation - Phase 1 from Del Mar Boulevard to Fillmore Street, reject all other bids received, and authorize the City Manager to enter into such contract for a "not to exceed" amount of \$352,000.

BACKGROUND:

This is the first phase of a multi-phase project to repair defects in the arch-shaped Broadway Storm Drain running underneath Arroyo Parkway, addressing approximately 25 percent of the necessary repairs to the drain. A previous inspection of the drain conducted prior to the Arroyo Parkway Street Project revealed numerous areas of deteriorated concrete and steel reinforcement. The repairs are necessary to prevent the condition from worsening and possible impacts to the roadway; but it was determined that these repairs could be conducted from inside the channel after the street project was completed, without impacting the street improvements. This project consists of the structural repair of the subject storm drain, including the removal of delaminated concrete, and the repair of spalls in the concrete arched soffit and walls;

the cleaning of existing oxidized reinforcing steel bars; the removal and replacement of reinforcing steel bars; and the application of gunite. This project is consistent with the Land Use Element of the General Plan by continuing to implement capital improvements which will maintain or rehabilitate existing infrastructure.

The Department of Public Works prepared Plans and Specifications for the subject project, and in accordance with Section 4.08.070 of the Pasadena Municipal Code, bids have been requested and received. The project was advertised in the Pasadena Journal on April 9, 2009. In addition, the Notice Inviting Bids was published in three trade publications, listed on the City website, and mailed out to thirty-nine potential bidders. Bid packets were obtained by 44 contractors, ten bids were submitted for the project.

Following advertising, bids were opened on May 6, 2009, and are as follows:

<u>Bidder</u>	<u>Amount</u>
1. Vart Construction, Inc., Glendale	\$316,200.00
2. Ace Restoration & Waterproofing, Fullerton	\$334,093.00
3. G. Coast Construction, Inc., Encino	\$374,250.00
4. Superior Gunite, Lake View Terrace	\$449,037.50
5. Sol Construction, Inc., Riverside	\$487,266.00
6. Slater Waterproofing, Inc., Montclair	\$492,740.00
7. MNR Construction, Inc., San Dimas	\$546,250.00
8. Morillo Construction, Inc., Pasadena	\$598,510.00
9. Garcia Juarez Construction, Inc., Brea	\$685,500.00
10. Steve Greene Construction, Simi Valley	Non-Responsive
Engineer's Estimate	\$451,600.00

The bid received from the successful low bidder is much lower than the Engineer's Estimate due to a slowing economy, resulting in greater competition between contractors. The Engineer's Estimate was based on pricing received from specialty contractors for similar type of work, which may result in higher pricing in the estimate. It is recommended that Vart Construction, Inc. be awarded the contract for this project as they are the lowest responsive and responsible bidder. The proposed contract with Vart Construction, Inc. fully complies with the Competitive Bidding and Living Wage Ordinances. The Contractor has indicated that the award of this contract will result in zero new hires to his present workforce.

The proposed contract will be set up as follows:

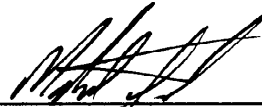
Base Bid	\$ 316,200.00
Contingency Allowance	<u>\$ 35,800.00</u>
Contract "Not to Exceed" Amount	\$ 352,000.00

It is anticipated that construction will begin in June 2009 and be completed in August 2009.

FISCAL IMPACT:

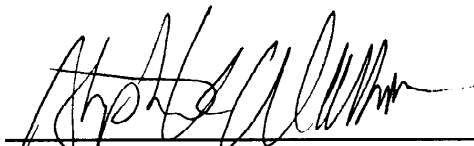
Sufficient Sewer and Storm Drain Funds are available in the Capital Improvement Program Budget Account 76538, Rehabilitation of Arroyo Parkway Storm Drain from Holly Street to South City Limit.

Respectfully submitted,



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