

Agenda Report

TO: CITY COUNCIL

July 9, 2001

FROM: CITY MANAGER

SUBJECT: CONTRACT AWARD TO MARIPOSA HORTICULTURAL ENTERPRISE, INC., FOR LANDSCAPE MAINTENANCE AT VARIOUS PASADENA WATER AND POWER FACILITIES AND BRUSH CLEARANCE AT SELECTED SITES IN THE ARROYO SECO (PARKLAND) FOR AN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$297,000

RECOMMENDATION

It is recommended that City Council:

- 1) Accept the bid for Landscape Maintenance and Brush Clearance dated February 7, 2001, submitted by Mariposa Horticultural Enterprises, Inc., in response to specifications for landscape maintenance at various sites and facilities throughout the City and in the Arroyo Seco;
- 2) Reject all other bids received;
- 3) Authorize the City Manager to enter into a contract with Mariposa Horticultural Enterprises for a period of one year for an amount not to exceed \$297,000, and
- 4) Authorized the City Manager to extend the contract for up to two one-year periods provided all prices, terms, and conditions remain unchanged.

BACKGROUND

The Parks and Natural Resources Division of the Public Works and Transportation Department currently manages the brush removal in the Arroyo Seco Park through an outside contract. In an effort to consolidate citywide brush clearance and landscape maintenance, this contract has been expanded to include various properties for the Water and Power Department.

The Water and Power Department properties are sites for the City's water system operation facilities such as wells, booster pumping stations, reservoirs power system facilities such as substations and the power plant. Most of the properties are on hillside areas and brush clearance is required for fire abatement purposes as directed by the Pasadena and Los

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Angeles County Fire Departments. The brush removal for fire abatement purposes constitutes approximately 35% of the work on Water and Power Department properties and includes the removal of dry brush and weeds around structures. The contract does not include maintenance of public streets, nor does it include tree trimming for electrical line clearance.

The bid specifications provide for an initial contract term of 12 months with two 1-year extensions, provided the contractor's work services have been satisfactory and the proposed price remains unchanged. The Notice Inviting Bids for this project was published in the Pasadena Journal on January 11, 2001. Twelve vendors were provided bid packages, and of these, five submitted bids. Three of the five submittals were from protected class companies.

Bids were opened on February 7, 2001, and are as follows:

<u>Bidder</u>	<u>Cost Per Month</u>
1. Mariposa Horticultural Enterprise, Inc. *(Irwindale)	\$20,997.00
2. Double Green Landscape, Inc. (Marina Del Ray)	\$42,108.28
3. L. Barrios & Associates, Inc. *(San Dimas)	\$70,538.00
4. Systems Management, Inc. *(Pasadena)	\$72,053.93
5. Specialty Mowing Services, (Fallbrook)	\$112,175.00

*Protected Class Ownership

The contract for Landscape Maintenance will be set up for a 12-month period as follows:

Water & Power Sites Bid Base.....	\$75,300.00
Contingency Allowance.....	\$15,700.00
Arroyo Seco Parkland Bid Base.....	\$176,700.00
Contingency Allowance.....	<u>\$26,500.00</u>
CONTRACT NOT TO EXCEED.....	\$297,200.00

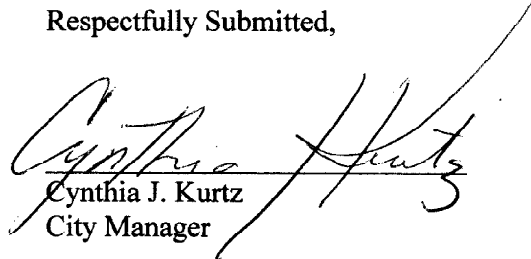
The bid received from Mariposa Horticultural Enterprises, Inc. is the lowest responsive and responsible bid. Therefore, it is recommended that they be awarded the contract for this project. The proposed contract complies with the Affirmative Action in Contracting Ordinance, Competitive Bidding, and Living Wage Ordinances.

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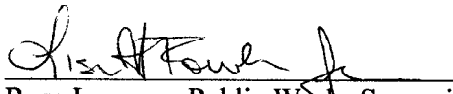
Funds for the landscape maintenance of various Water and Power sites in the amount of \$91,000 are provided for in the Water and Power Fiscal Year 2002 Operating Budget, various water accounts 8116-402-883200-05-0703, -0725, -0742, -0760, and -0805, various power accounts 8116-401-841200-28-0506-20039, 8116-401-841300-28-0591-20010 and -20040.

Funds in the amount of \$87,000 for the Arroyo Seco areas are available in the FY 2002 Operating Budget for Brookside Park and Lower Arroyo Maintenance account 8114-101-765300. The remaining funds in the amount of \$116,200 are available in the Lower Arroyo - Revegetation capital project, budget account 77422.

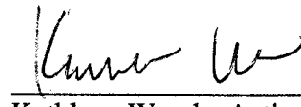
Respectfully Submitted,


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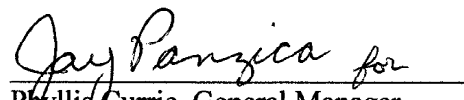
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