

Agenda Report

TO: CITY COUNCIL

June 7, 2004

FROM: City Manager

SUBJECT: Contract Award to Damon Construction Company for East Washington Boulevard Traffic Pop-outs Not to Exceed \$628,000

RECOMMENDATION:

It is recommended that the City Council:

1. Accept the bid dated May 19, 2004, submitted by Damon Construction Company in response to the Specifications for East Washington Boulevard Traffic Pop-Outs, reject all other bids received and authorize the City Manager to enter into a contract not to exceed \$628,000, which includes the base bid of \$570,752.50 and \$57,247.50 for any additional work the City may order pursuant to the project specifications.
2. Acknowledge the project to be categorically exempt under Section 21084 of the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) in accordance with Article 19, Section 15301(c) of the Resources Agency of California Guidelines (minor alteration of existing public streets) pursuant to the findings of the Secretary of the Resources Agency and authorize the City Manager to execute and the City Clerk to file a Notice of Exemption for the project with the Los Angeles County Clerk.

BACKGROUND:

The project calls for the construction of the remaining street elements of the East Washington Specific Plan improvements along East Washington Boulevard, which includes the construction of twenty-two pop-outs, decorative crosswalks at two intersections, the installation of bus benches and bollards, and the installation of four street trees and tree grates on Washington Boulevard at Allen Avenue.

The proposed improvements conform to the East Washington Boulevard Streetscape Design Concept report prepared by Gruen Associates and approved by the Design Commission, the Planning Commission, and the City Council in 1998. This project is consistent with Objective 5, Character and Scale of Pasadena, and Policy 5.5, Architectural and Design Excellence, of the General Plan.

The Department of Public Works prepared 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 Star News on April 26, 2004. In addition, the Notice Inviting Bids was published in three trade publications and listed on two web sites. Bid packets were obtained by twelve contractors, three of whom submitted bids for the project.

Following advertising, bids were opened on May 19, 2004 and are as follows:

<u>Bidder</u>	<u>Amount</u>
1. Damon Construction Company, Cypress	\$ 570,752.50
2. Excel Paving Company dba Palp Inc., Long Beach	\$ 598,233.25
3. Thomsen Landscape, Reseda	\$ 730,520.00
Engineer's Estimate	\$ 527,555.00

Damon Construction Company submitted the lowest responsive bid. It is therefore recommended that they be awarded the contract for this project and the other bids be rejected. The proposed contract with Damon Construction Company 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 this present workforce.

The estimated cost to complete this project is as follows:


Base Bid	\$ 570,752.50
Contingency Allowance	57,247.50
Contract "Not to Exceed" Amount	\$ 628,000.00

It is anticipated that the project will begin in July 2004 and be completed in October 2004.

FISCAL IMPACT:

East Washington Boulevard Streetscape Improvement (Budget Account 73115) is included in the current CIP and there are sufficient funds available to complete this project.

Respectfully submitted,


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City Manager

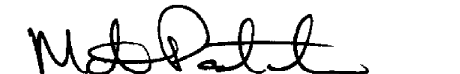
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