

Agenda Report

TO: CITY COUNCIL

September 13, 2004

FROM: CITY MANAGER

SUBJECT: Contract Award to Dominguez General Engineering Contractor for the Laguna Road Sewer-Phase 5, La Loma Road to Burleigh Drive, for an Amount Not to Exceed \$ 114,000

RECOMMENDATION

It is recommended that the City Council:

1. Accept the bid dated September 1, 2004, submitted by Dominguez General Engineering Contractor in response to the Specifications for the Laguna Road Sewer-Phase 5, La Loma Road to Burleigh Drive; reject all other bids received; and authorize the City Manager to enter into a contract not to exceed \$ 114,000, which includes the basic bid of \$ 103,500 and \$ 10,500 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 of 1984 in accordance with Article 19, Section 15301 (Class 1), subsection (c) of the Resources Agency of California Guidelines (minor alterations involving negligible expansion of use beyond that previously existing) 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 provides for replacing structurally defective and hydraulically deficient reaches of the Laguna Road Sewer. This is a five phase project that calls for replacing the undersized and deteriorated sewer line along the full length of Laguna Road from Hermosa Road to San Rafael Avenue – a distance of slightly less than one mile. Phases 1, 2, and 3 of the project were completed in October 2000, January 2002, and July 2004, respectively. Phase 4 consists of the sewer in Laguna Road between Hillside Terrace and Burleigh Drive. The new Sewer Master Plan may allow for the rehabilitation rather than replacement of Phase 4, so design and construction of this phase will proceed once the new Master Plan is completed in the fall of 2005.

The work for Phase 5 consists of removing 10-inch diameter vitrified clay pipes and replacing them with 15-inch diameter vitrified clay pipes between La Loma Road and Burleigh Drive. One reach of the Laguna Road Sewer, between La Loma Road and the manhole in front of the property at 680 Laguna Road, will be realigned to the west to improve the efficiency of the system.

A finding of compliance with the General Plan was previously made and the project is shown on page 6.12 of the FY 2004-2008 Capital Improvement Program.

Under the State Guidelines for the Implementation of the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA), this project is categorically exempt since the work consists of minor alterations involving no expansion of use beyond that previously existing. Therefore, it is recommended that a Notice of Exemption be filed with the Los Angeles County Clerk.

The project was advertised in the Pasadena Journal on August 5, 2004. In addition, the Notice Inviting Bids was published in five trade publications. Bid packets were obtained by 13 Contractors, six of whom submitted bids for the project.

Following advertising, bids were received on September 1, 2004, and are as follows:

	<u>Bidder</u>	<u>Amount</u>
1.	Dominguez General Engineering Contractor, Rosemead	\$ 103,500
2.	Mladen Grbavac Construction, Arcadia	\$ 114,550
3.	Nikola Corporation, Irvine	\$ 115,238
4.	Mike Prlich and Sons, Inc., South El Monte	\$ 138,520
5.	Southern California Underground Contractors, Inc., Brea	\$ 149,056
6.	Tomovich & Associates, South El Monte	\$ 218,484

The lowest bid received was 15.8 percent lower than the Engineer's Estimate of \$123,000.

It is recommended that Dominguez General Engineering Contractor be awarded the contract for this project as they are the lowest responsive and responsible bidder and that the other bids be rejected. The proposed contract with Dominguez General Engineering Contractor 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 his present workforce.

The contract for this project will be set up as follows:

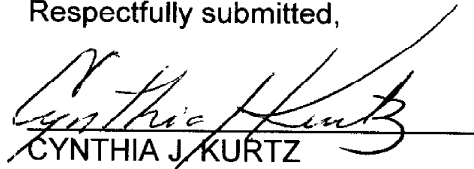
Base Bid	\$ 103,500
Contingency Allowance	\$ 10,500
Contract "Not to Exceed" Amount	<u>\$ 114,000</u>

Construction will begin in October 2004 and be completed in November 2004.

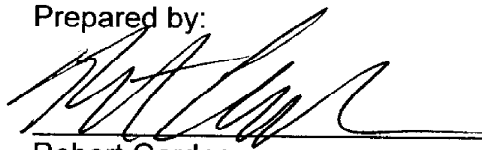
FISCAL IMPACT:

Funds for this project are available in Budget Account No. 76534, Laguna Road Trunk Sewer – Rehabilitation.

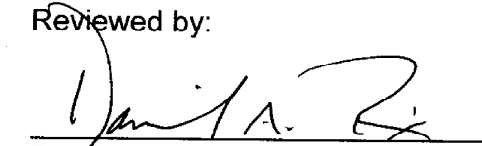
Respectfully submitted,


CYNTHIA J. KURTZ
City Manager

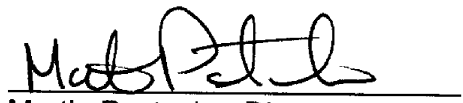
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