

Agenda Report

TO: CITY COUNCIL SEPTEMBER 26, 2005

FROM: CITY MANAGER

SUBJECT: CONTRACT AWARD TO REPUBLIC ELECTRIC, FOR THE REPAIR, REPLACEMENT AND MODIFICATION OF STREET LIGHTING INFRASTRUCTURE ON PROSPECT BOULEVARD FROM PROSPECT BRIDGE TO ORANGE GROVE BOULEVARD AND OTHER LOCATIONS IN THE VICINITY, FOR AN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$126,200.

RECOMMENDATION:

It is recommended that the City Council:

1. Accept the bid dated September 12, 2005, submitted by Republic Electric in response to the Specifications for the Repair, Replacement and Modification of Street Lighting Infrastructure on Prospect Boulevard from Prospect Bridge to Orange Grove Blvd. and Other Locations, and authorize the City Manager to enter into such contract as is required.
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:

Over the years, more than half of the original metal post top poles in the vicinity of Prospect Boulevard south of the bridge have been replaced with concrete poles as the result of deterioration or accidents. Most of the remaining poles are deteriorated and in need of replacement. This project will replace all of the remaining metal poles with concrete poles on this portion of Prospect Boulevard, Prospect Terrace, Prospect Square, Rosemont Avenue south of Prospect Terrace, Bellmore Way and Scott Place.

The fixture and lamp types will not change. The residents have been notified of the proposed scope of work.

The work consists of removal and installation of post top poles, installation of new foundations, conduit, conductors, pull boxes, replacing all lamps and globes and other miscellaneous appurtenant work.

A finding of compliance with the General Plan was previously made and is shown on page 3.3 of the FY 2006 - 2010 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 negligible 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 Public Works Department prepared plans and specifications for the subject project and bids have been received.

The project was advertised in the Pasadena Journal on August 25, 2005. In addition, the Notice Inviting Bids was published in five trade publications and letters requesting bids were sent to 39 contractors. Despite these efforts, only one contractor obtained a bid packet and that contractor submitted the only bid on September 14, 2005, as follows:

<u>Bidder</u>	<u>Amount</u>
1. Republic Electric, Anaheim	\$114,800
Engineer's Estimate	\$ 99,000

The single bid received was 16% higher than the Engineer's Estimate.

Even though the low bid exceeds the Engineer's Estimate, there is no reason to believe that re-advertising the project will result in lower bids. Therefore, it is recommended that Republic Electric be awarded the contract for this project as they are the only responsive and responsible bidder. The proposed contract with Republic Electric fully complies with the Competitive Bidding and Living Wage Ordinances. 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:

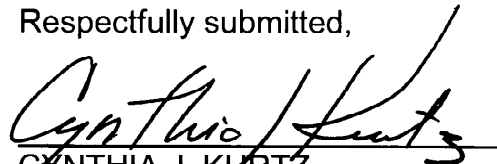
Base Bid	\$114,800
Contingency Allowance	<u>\$ 11,400</u>
Contract "Not to Exceed" Amount	\$126,200

Poles for this project will be furnished to the Contractor by the City and are in stock. Construction will begin in November 2005 and be completed in December 2005.

FISCAL IMPACT:

Funds for this project are available in the Budget Account No. 74346, Repair and/or Replacement of Existing Street Light Systems.

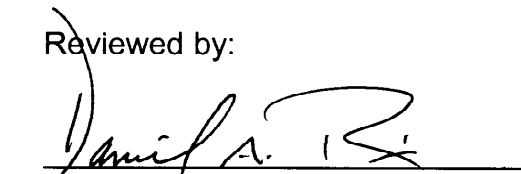
Respectfully submitted,


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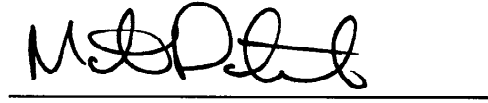
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