

Agenda Report

TO: CITY COUNCIL

DATE: November 5, 2007

FROM: CITY MANAGER

SUBJECT: CONTRACT AWARD TO LIGHTPOLE RESTORATION SPECIALISTS, INC., FOR THE PAINTING OF PLAYHOUSE DISTRICT STREET LIGHT POLES FOR AN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$135,000

RECOMMENDATION

It is recommended that the City Council:

1. Accept the bid dated October 16, 2007, submitted by Lightpole Restoration Specialists, Inc., in response to the Specifications for the Painting of Playhouse District Street Light Poles, reject all other bids received, and authorize the City Manager to enter into such contract as is required for an amount not to exceed \$135,000; and
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 (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

This project consists of the painting of all existing metal street light poles on Colorado Boulevard between Los Robles Avenue and Lake Avenue, all existing metal street light poles on Green Street between Los Robles Avenue and Hill Avenue and the metal ornamental poles on El Molino Avenue between Green Street and Union Street.

In accordance with the Pasadena Playhouse District Streetscapes, Walkways and Alleys Plan, the designated color of street furniture and street light poles is black. The street light poles on Green Street, which are painted gray, and have not been painted in decades and are in need of painting. The Green Street poles within the Playhouse District will be repainted in black and the poles east of the Playhouse District will be repainted in gray. In

addition, the paint on some of the poles along Colorado Boulevard is peeling. In order to give all the poles within the Playhouse District a fresh new look with the appropriate color, all metal street light poles will be repainted.

The work consists of the removal and disposal of the existing paint, cleaning, surface preparation, priming and painting of existing metal street light poles and other miscellaneous appurtenant work.

Findings of compliance with the General Plan were previously made and are shown on page 2.19 of the FY 2008-2012 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 Department of Public Works prepared specifications for this project and bids have been received.

This project was advertised in the Pasadena Journal on September 27, 2007. In addition, the Notice Inviting Bids was published in two trade publications and two websites. Bid packets were obtained by eleven contractors, three of whom submitted bids for the project.

Following advertising, bids were received on October 17, 2007, and are as follows:

	<u>Bidder</u>	<u>Amount</u>
1.	Lightpole Restoration Specialists, Inc., Simi Valley	\$119,555.00
2.	Everlast Painting Co., Santa Clarita	\$168,500.00
3.	Cam Painting, Inc., Northridge	\$195,300.00
	Engineer's Estimate	\$153,400.00

The lowest bid received was 22 percent lower than the Engineer's Estimate. Therefore, it is recommended that Lightpole Restoration Specialists, Inc. be awarded a contract for this project as they are the lowest responsive and responsible bidder and that the other bids be rejected. The proposed contract with Lightpole Restoration Specialists, Inc. 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 will be set up as follows:

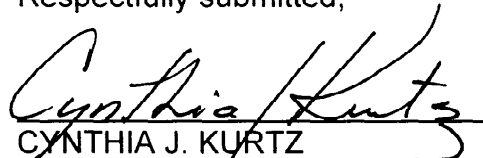
Base Bid	\$119,555.00
Contingency Allowance	<u>\$ 15,445.00</u>
Contract "Not to Exceed" Amount	\$135,000.00

It is anticipated that work will begin in January and be completed in March 2008.

FISCAL IMPACT

Funds for this project are available in Budget Account No. 73397, Playhouse District Streetscapes and Paseos Plan – Phase I and Budget Account No. 74346, Repair and/or Replacement of Existing Street Lighting Systems.

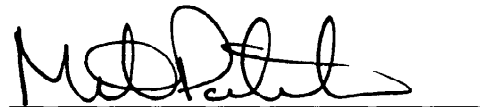
Respectfully submitted,


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