



Agenda Report

TO: CITY COUNCIL

DATE: April 28, 2008

FROM: CITY MANAGER

SUBJECT: CONTRACT AWARD TO ECOLOGY CONTROL INDUSTRIES, INC. DBA AMERICAN STORM WATER, INC. FOR CATCH BASIN TRASH EXCLUDERS – PHASE 1 FOR AN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$451,000

RECOMMENDATION

It is recommended that the City Council:

1. Accept the bid dated April 15, 2008, submitted by Ecology Control Industries, Inc. dba American Storm Water, Inc. for the Catch Basin Trash Excluders – Phase 1; reject all other bids received; authorize the City Manager to enter into such contract for a “not to exceed” amount of \$451,000; and
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 (b) of the Resources Agency of California Guidelines (minor alteration of existing public facilities involving negligible or no expansion of use beyond that existing at the time of the lead agency’s determination) 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 National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System (NPDES) permit issued by the Regional Water Quality Control Board requires the City to reduce and/or eliminate pollutants in storm water runoff. This project provides the installation of devices to prevent trash from entering the City’s storm drain pipes. This project includes the cleaning and removal of debris at each basin, and the fabrication and installation of catch basin inserts and curb screens at catch basin openings, at about 300 of the approximately 1,000 City-owned catch basins throughout the City. This project will help the City reach the NPDES permit goal of retrofitting all City-owned catch basins by 2014. The Phase 1 City-owned catch basin locations with the highest trash-reduction priority include: the Rose Parade Route, the Rose Bowl Area, and those along the north side of the 210 Freeway.

The Department of Public Works prepared Plans and Specifications for the subject project. 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 Journal on March 20, 2008. In addition, the Notice Inviting Bids was published in four trade publications, listed on two web sites, and mailed out to twenty-seven potential bidders. Bid packets were obtained by eighteen contractors, three of whom submitted bids for the project.

The following advertising bids were opened on April 15, 2008 and are as follows:

	<u>Bidder</u>	<u>Amount</u>
1.	Ecology Control Industries Inc dba American Storm Water Inc., Torrance	\$ 228,926.24
2.	United Storm Water Inc., City of Industry	\$ 248,976.60
3.	G. Coast Construction, Inc., Encino	\$ 480,700.00
	Engineer's Estimate	\$ 415,650.00

It is recommended that Ecology Control Industries, Inc. dba American Storm Water, Inc. be awarded the contract for this project as they are the lowest responsive and responsible bidder. The proposed contract with Ecology Control Industries, Inc. dba American Storm Water, Inc. fully complies with the Competitive Bidding and Living Wage Ordinances. The Contractor has indicated that the award of this contract will result in zero new hires to his present workforce.

The City funds spent on this project are considered local match for a grant obtained by the Arroyo Seco Foundation in the amount of \$1,930,207 from the State Water Resources Control Board. The grant requires the City to spend \$640,000 to install trash capture devices in the City storm drains and to slurry seal Lot I near Brookside Park. To ensure that the City meets the above grant requirement, it is recommended that an additional \$181,000 of work be approved, to include additional catch basin locations that will be retrofitted with inserts, curb screens, and protection bars. The additional work locations are located throughout the City and include areas within the East Pasadena Specific Plan, Central District Specific Plan, the Hastings Ranch Area, and the Linda Vista Area. The pricing for the additional work is consistent with the original bid submitted. The proposed contract will be set up as follows:

Base Bid	\$ 228,926.24
Additional Work	181,000.00
Contingency Allowance	<u>41,073.76</u>
Contract "Not to Exceed" Amount	\$ 451,000.00

It is anticipated that the project will begin in June 2008 and be completed in August 2008.

FISCAL IMPACT

Funds for this project are available in Capital Improvement Budget Account 76290, NPDES – Storm Water Pollution Prevention Program. Additional phases of the project will be completed when funding becomes available.

Respectfully submitted,


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