

# Agenda Report

TO: CITY COUNCIL

DATE: October 19, 2009

**FROM:** CITY MANAGER

**SUBJECT:** CONTRACT AWARD TO MONTES PACIFIC ENGINEERING FOR ROSE BOWL DRIVE REMEDIAL SLOPE REPAIR FOR AN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$140,000.00

## **RECOMMENDATION:**

It is recommended that the City Council:

- 1. Find that the project was subject to adequate environmental review, for which a Notice of Exemption was filed with the County Clerk on March 31, 2009, and that there are no changed circumstances or new information which would require further environmental review.
- 2. Accept the bid, dated October 7, 2009, submitted by Montes Pacific Engineering for Rose Bowl Drive Remedial Slope Repair, reject all other bids received, and authorize the City Manager to enter into such contract not to exceed \$140,000.

## **BACKGROUND**:

This project is located off Rose Bowl Drive between Rosemont Avenue and North Arroyo Boulevard, adjacent to the property at 1175 North Arroyo Boulevard. The project is needed to stabilize a hillside that has been unraveling, posing a potential conflict with passing vehicles and pedestrians. Temporary k-rail and chain link fencing have been installed to contain the debris; however this project will provide a greater level of slope protection.

The proposed work will include the installation of a rockfall protection netting system attached to reinforced concrete anchors using a steel cable at the top of slope; construction of a reinforced concrete retaining wall with Arroyo Stone facing at the bottom of slope with installation of a chain link fence along the top of the new wall; localized reconstruction of the existing stone walls; and restoration of the asphalt concrete pavement.

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 Star News on September 18, 2009. In addition, the Notice Inviting Bids was published in three trade publications and listed on the City website. Bid packets were obtained by 38 contractors, eleven of whom submitted bids for the project.

The following advertising bids were opened on October 7, 2009 and are as follows:

	Bidder	Amount
1.	Montes Pacific Engineering, Oxnard	\$ 118,706.45
2.	Yakar, San Dimas	\$ 124,285.00
3.	Vido Samarzich, Alta Loma	\$ 140,865.00
4.	Hummer Construction, Inc., Valencia	\$ 143,041.00
5.	Tal Cal Eng Inc., West Hills	\$ 159,220.00
6.	The Adjul Corporation dba Lee Construction Co.,	\$ 165,711.50
	Simi Valley	
7.	G Coast Construction, Inc., Encino	\$ 174,500.00
8.	Addscape Inc., Los Angeles	\$ 184,070.00
9.	Allied Building Contractors, Inc., Glendale	\$ 189,684.00
10.	Clarke Contracting Corp., Lawndale	\$ 280,385.00
11.	Earth Construction & Mining., Garden Grove	\$ 306,395.00
ENGINEER'S ESTIMATE		\$ 167,000.00

The bid received from the successful low bidder is much lower than the Engineer's Estimate due to a slowing economy, resulting in greater competition between Contractors. It is recommended that Montes Pacific Engineering be awarded the contract for this project as they are the lowest responsive and responsible bidder. The proposed contract with Montes Pacific Engineering fully complies with the Competitive Bidding and Living Wage Ordinances. The Contractor has indicated that the award of this contract will result in one new hire to his present workforce.

Due to the technically challenging nature of this project, the depth of the anchors may need to be increased, and additional earthwork may be required. Furthermore, excavation for the anchors will be complicated if large cobbles and boulders are encountered. Therefore, it is recommended that the proposed contract be set up as follows to include additional contingency:

Base Bid	\$118,706.45
Contingency Allowance	<u>\$ 21,293.55</u>
Contract "Not to Exceed" Amount	\$140,000.00

It is anticipated that the project will begin in November 2009 and be completed in February 2010.

### **ENVIRONMENTAL ISSUES**:

This project addresses the Waste Reduction category of the Green City Action by reusing the Arroyo Stone from the existing wall for the facing on the new reinforced concrete retaining wall, which will divert waste away from the landfill.

### FISCAL IMPACT:

Sufficient Rose Bowl EIR Mitigation and Street Occupancy funds for this project are available in Capital Improvement Budget Account 77466, Rose Bowl Drive Slope Protection.

Respectfully submitted,

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