

Agenda Report

TO: CITY COUNCIL

DATE: October 26, 2009

FROM: CITY MANAGER

SUBJECT: CONTRACT AWARD TO LINCOLN PACIFIC BUILDERS, INC., FOR THE INSTALLATION OF IN-FILL STREET LIGHTING ON ORANGE GROVE BOULEVARD FROM LINCOLN AVENUE TO LOS ROBLES AVENUE, FOR AN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$ 316,000

RECOMMENDATION:

It is recommended that the City Council:

1. Find 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
2. Accept the bid dated September 30, 2009, submitted by Lincoln Pacific Builders, Inc., in response to the Specifications for the Installation of In-fill Street Lighting on Orange Grove Boulevard from Lincoln Avenue to Los Robles Avenue, reject all other bids received, and authorize the City Manager to enter into such contract as is required for an amount not to exceed \$316,000.

BACKGROUND:

This project proposes light emitting diode (LED) in-fill lighting to be installed on Orange Grove Boulevard from Lincoln Avenue to Los Robles Avenue in conformance with the Fair Oaks/Orange Grove Specific Plan. The use of LED luminaires will provide energy savings and longer light source lifetime while complying with the City's Environmental Goals and Green City Action Plan.

Findings of compliance with the General Plan were previously made in the FY 2010-2014 Capital Improvement Program and can be found on page 2.12.

The City's Environmental Administrator has determined the project was categorically exempt under the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) Guidelines in Section 15301(c), Existing Facilities, of the California Code of Regulations Title 14, Chapter 3. This exemption includes minor alterations involving negligible expansion of use beyond that previously existing. A Notice of Exemption for the project was filed with the Los Angeles County Clerk on September 30, 2009.

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 10, 2009. In addition, the Notice Inviting Bids was published in two trade publications and on two websites. Bid packets were obtained by 18 contractors, 14 of whom submitted bids for the project.

Following advertising, bids were received on September 30, 2009, and are as follows:

	<u>Bidder</u>	<u>Amount</u>
1.	Lincoln Pacific Builders, Inc., Baldwin Park	\$287,250.00
2.	C.T.& F., Inc., Bell Gardens	\$296,831.43
3.	Pro Tech Engineering, Corp., Corona Del Mar	\$297,698.00
4.	Moore Electrical Contracting, Inc., Corona	\$302,721.00
5.	Steiny and Company, Inc., Baldwin Park	\$307,265.00
6.	Christopher R. Morales, Inc., San Dimas	\$307,815.00
7.	VCI Construction, Upland	\$316,196.72
8.	AK Engineering, San Bernardino	\$341,015.00
9.	California Professional Engineering, South El Monte	\$341,460.00
10.	Freeway Electric, Riverside	\$343,043.00
11.	Yakar, San Dimas	\$357,205.00
12.	S.H.E. Engineering & Construction Group, Inc., Reseda	\$507,188.00
13.	C.H.I. Construction, Anaheim	\$581,406.00
14.	UST Development, Inc., Ontario	Non Responsive
	Engineer's Estimate	\$ 396,640

The lowest responsive bid received was 28% lower than the Engineer's Estimate. The Engineer's Estimate was based on earlier material costs obtained from vendors. The demand for LED lights has created a competitive environment among manufacturers which has resulted in improved technology coming to the market sooner. This, coupled with a slow economy, has caused greater competition between contractors resulting in lower bids.

It is recommended that Lincoln Pacific Builders, Inc., be awarded a contract for this project as they are the lowest responsive and responsible bidder and that all other bids be rejected. The proposed contract with Lincoln Pacific Builders, 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 its present workforce.

The contract will be set up as follows:

Base Bid	\$ 287,250
Contingency Allowance	<u>\$ 28,725</u>
Contract "Not to Exceed" Amount	\$ 316,000

It is anticipated that work will begin in November 2009, and be completed in March 2010.

ENVIRONMENTAL ISSUES:

This project is in compliance with the City's Environmental Goals and Green City Action Plan achieving energy efficiency by helping to reduce the City's electric load by 10% by 2012.

Utilizing Light Emitting Diodes (LED) as a light source for this in-fill lighting project will consume less energy, decrease maintenance demand, provide longer lasting operation, and will result in an annual energy cost savings to the City of approximately 60% to 70%.

FISCAL IMPACT:

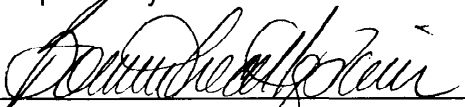
Funds are available in Capital Improvement Program Budget Account No. 73129 consisting of Commercial Development Fees, Private Capital, and Underground Surtax.

Respectfully submitted,




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