

Agenda Report

February 22, 2010

TO: Honorable Mayor and City Council
FROM: Department of Public Works
SUBJECT: CONTRACT AWARD TO TAL CAL ENG ENGINEERING, INC. FOR THE 2010 SEWER PIPE REPAIRS, FOR AN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$100,000

RECOMMENDATION:

It is recommended that the City Council:

1. Find that, on September 25, 2009, the project proposed herein was found to be categorically exempt under the California Environmental Quality Act in accordance with Section 15301 (Class 1), subsection (b). This exemption includes minor alterations of existing public facilities involving negligible or no expansion of use beyond that existing at the time of the lead agency's determination, and there are no changed circumstances or new information which would require further environmental review; and
2. Accept the bid dated February 3, 2010, submitted by Tal Cal Engineering, Inc., in response to the Project Specifications for the 2010 Sewer Pipe Repairs, reject all other bids received, and authorize the City Manager to enter into such contract as is required for an amount not to exceed \$100,000.

BACKGROUND:

The project calls for the removal and replacement of damaged vitrified clay sewer pipes ranging from 8 to 12 inches in diameter, and the reconstruction of sewer manhole floors at various locations throughout the City, as shown in Attachment 'A'. The damaged pipe locations were identified during Phase IV of the city's closed circuit televised inspection of the sewers.

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 January 7, 2010. In addition, the Notice Inviting Bids was published in four trade publications, listed on one web site, and mailed out to twenty-four potential bidders. Bid packets were obtained by 41 contractors, 19 of whom submitted bids for the project.

Following advertising, bids were opened on February 3, 2010 and are as follows:

Bidder	Amount
1. Tal Cal Eng Inc., West Hills	\$88,300.00
2. Atlas Allied Inc., Anaheim	\$99,890.00
3. Miramontes Construction Company Inc., City of Industry	\$108,150.00
4. Ramona Inc., Arcadia	\$113,735.00
5. MNR Construction Inc., San Dimas	\$114,050.00
6. Garcia Juarez Construction Inc., Brea	\$124,800.00
7. Vasilj Inc., Irwindale	\$131,990.00
8. Powell Engineering Construction, Orange	\$137,180.00
9. Terra Pipeline Inc., Oxnard	\$138,445.00
10. Nikola Corporation, Irvine	\$144,695.00
11. LSC Construction, Los Angeles	\$148,200.00
12. Vasily Company Inc., Shadow Hills	\$150,299.84
13. TTS Engineering, Inc., Huntington Beach	\$161,745.00
14. B & B Developers, Valley Village	\$186,105.00
15. MCC Equipment Rentals, Inc., Yucaipa	\$186,245.00
16. Williams Pipeline Contractors, Inc., Ventura	\$199,100.00
17. Pro-Craft Plumbing Company, Inc., Redlands	\$212,600.00
18. VCI Construction, Upland	\$227,650.00
19. T. Majich & Sons, Inc., South Pasadena	\$240,070.00
Engineer's Estimate	\$138,200.00

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 Tal Cal Engineering, Inc. be awarded the contract for this project as they are the lowest responsive and responsible bidder. The proposed contract with Tal Cal Engineering, 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 proposed contract will be set up as follows:

Base Bid	\$ 88,300
Contingency Allowance	\$ 11,700
Contract "Not to Exceed" Amount	\$ 100,000

It is anticipated that the construction will begin in April 2010 and be completed in May 2010.

COUNCIL POLICY CONSIDERATION:

This project supports the City Council Strategic Goal to improve, maintain and enhance public facilities and infrastructure. This project is consistent with the Land Use Element of the General Plan by continuing to implement capital improvements which will maintain or rehabilitate existing infrastructure. A finding of compliance with the General Plan was previously made and is shown on page 6.1 of the FY 2010-2014 Capital Improvement Program.

This project addresses the Environmental Health category of the Green City Action Plan by reducing the number of sanitary sewer overflows from the wastewater systems. This work is included in the adopted FY 2010-2014 Capital Improvement Program, Preventive Maintenance – Sewer System.

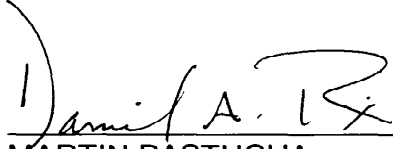
ENVIRONMENTAL ANALYSIS:

On September 21, 2009, the City's Environmental Administrator determined that the project is categorically exempt under the California Environmental Quality Act in accordance with Section 15301 (Class 1), subsection (b). This exemption includes 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. A Notice of Exemption for the project was filed with the Los Angeles County Clerk on September 25, 2009. There are no changed circumstances or new information which requires further environmental review.

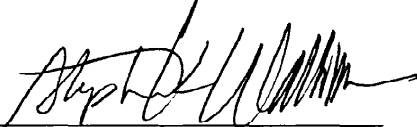
FISCAL IMPACT:

Sufficient Sewer Maintenance and Construction Funds for this project are available in Capital Improvement Program Budget Account 76267, Preventative Maintenance – Sewer System.

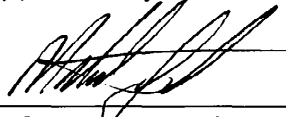
Respectfully submitted,


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