

Agenda Report

July 20, 2015

TO: HONORABLE MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL

FROM: WATER AND POWER DEPARTMENT

SUBJECT: AUTHORIZATION TO ENTER INTO A CONTRACT WITH PERRY C. THOMAS CONSTRUCTION, INC., FOR UNDERGROUND ELECTRICAL CONDUIT SYSTEMS ON ALPINE STREET FOR THE WATER AND POWER DEPARTMENT

RECOMMENDATION:

It is recommended that the City Council:

1. Find the proposed action to be categorically exempt under the California Environmental Quality Act ("CEQA") pursuant to CEQA Guidelines Section 15061(b) (3) (General Rule); and
2. Accept the bid dated June 23, 2015 submitted by Perry C. Thomas Construction, Inc. in response to Specifications LD-15-02 for construction of underground electrical conduit systems along Alpine Street; reject all other bids; and authorize the City Manager to enter into a contract with Perry C. Thomas Construction, Inc. for an amount not to exceed \$1,601,256; and
3. Approve a journal voucher to transfer \$1,750,000.00 from the Alpine St. – Electric System Undergrounding, Marengo Avenue. to El Molino Avenue. Capital Improvement Budget No. 74801 to the Utility Undergrounding Power Capital Improvement Project No. 3174.

BACKGROUND:

The Underground Utility District 08-1 (UUD08-1) was established in FY2008 for the undergrounding of electrical, cable and telephone utilities on Alpine Street from Marengo Avenue to El Molino Avenue.

On May 13, 2015, a Notice Inviting Bids to provide labor and materials for construction of an underground electrical conduit system in UUD08-1 in accordance with Specifications LD-15-02 was published in the Pasadena Journal and posted on the City's web page. Nine vendors attended a mandatory pre-bid meeting on June 9, 2015. Four bids were opened on June 23, 2015. D'Ybanag Construction Company withdrew their bid.

<u>Contractor</u>	<u>Bid Amount</u>
Perry C. Thomas Construction, Inc., Monrovia, CA	\$1,455,688.00
VCI Construction, Inc., Upland, CA	\$1,582,913.00
Vantage Utility Services, Inc., Upland, CA	\$2,765,194.63

In accordance with the joint trench agreements, PWP, AT&T and Charter Communications will enter into separate contracts with the low bidder for their portion of the work for the following contract amounts:

Pasadena Water and Power Department	\$1,455,688.00
AT&T	\$ 544,285.72
<u>Charter Communications</u>	<u>\$ 316,491.60</u>
Total	\$2,316,465.32

Perry C. Thomas Construction, Inc. was the lowest responsive bidder that met all of the requirements of the Specifications. Staff recommends awarding the contract to Perry C. Thomas Construction, Inc., for an amount not to exceed \$1,601,256.00 which includes the base bid amount and a 10% contingency for any necessary change orders. This contract amount will cover the costs to construct only PWP's share of underground substructures. The contract does not include the electrical portion of the work, work on private property, or the removal of the power poles; such work will be performed by the City or other contractors.

It is expected that the civil portion of the work (this contract) to construct the underground substructures will be completed within 40 working days after a Notice to Proceed is issued. The proposed contract complies with Competitive Bidding and Purchasing Ordinance P.M.C. 4.08 and the rules and regulations promulgated thereunder.

Perry C. Thomas Construction, Inc. regularly bids on civil construction projects in the City. The City currently has two active contracts with Perry C. Thomas Construction, Inc. for the construction of underground conduits for PWP and the Department of Information Technology totaling \$4.4 million dollars.

COUNCIL POLICY CONSIDERATION:

The proposed contract is consistent with the Mobility Element/Power Facilities Element of the General Plan and supports the Council's goals to: improve the visual environment of the City through improved streetscapes and conversion of existing overhead to underground facilities; improve system reliability and enhance public facilities infrastructure; and provide a high level of public service which adds to the quality of life in the City and increases its attractiveness through more efficient management of resources.

ENVIRONMENTAL ANALYSIS:

This project is exempt from CEQA review pursuant to State CEQA Guidelines Section 15061(b) 3. This contract is covered by the general rule that CEQA applies only to

projects which have the potential for causing a significant effect on the environment. Where it can be seen with certainty that there is no possibility that the activity in question may have a significant effect on the environment, the activity is not subject to the provisions of CEQA.

FISCAL IMPACT:

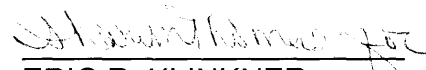
The maximum cost of this action is \$1,750,000, which includes construction inspection and contract administration. Engineers in Water and Power will administer the contract. All funds will be spent in FY2016.

Upon approval, a \$1,750,000.00 journal voucher from the Underground Utility Surtax fund for Capital Improvement Project No. 74801 will be transferred to the Utility Undergrounding Power Capital Improvement Project No. 3174 for this contract.

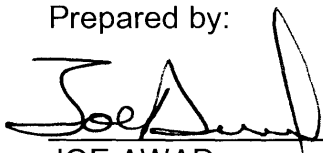
This expenditure will have minimal impact on other operational or capital projects. The following table represents the contract summary:

Total Expenditure in Fiscal Year 2016	
Base Bid	\$1,455,688.00
<u>Contingency</u>	<u>\$ 145,568.00</u>
Not to Exceed Amount (This Contract)	\$1,601,256.00
Construction Inspection & Contract Administration	\$ 148,744.00
Total Fiscal Impact	\$1,750,000.00

Respectfully submitted,


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