



Agenda Report

April 20, 2020

TO: Honorable Mayor and City Council
FROM: Department of Public Works
SUBJECT: REJECTION OF BIDS FOR DEMOLITION OF FORMER BANNER BANK BUILDING LOCATED AT 717 EAST UNION STREET

RECOMMENDATION:

It is recommended that the City Council:

1. Find that the proposed action is statutorily exempt from the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) pursuant to Public Resources Code Section 21080(b)(5) (projects which a public agency rejects or disapproves) and Section 15270 of the State CEQA Guidelines; and
2. Reject the bids received on March 17, 2020 in response to the Notice Inviting Bids for Banner Bank Demolition.

BACKGROUND:

The Department of Public Works and its consultant prepared plans and specifications for the subject project. The project scope of work includes demolishing the existing two-story, 5,538-square-foot building and foundations; removal of site paving, curbs, and vegetation; backfill and rough site grading; as well as disconnecting and capping utilities at the former Banner Bank Building site located at 717 East Union Street. No new construction is part of this project scope. The bid specifications provided the opportunity to award the lowest responsible and responsive bidder.

A Notice Inviting Bids was advertised in the *Pasadena Journal* and on PlanetBids on February 6, 2020 and February 13, 2020. In addition, the Notice Inviting Bids was published in 11 trade publications and listed on the City's website which generated notices to 92 local vendors. Bid packages were obtained by 54 vendors, four of whom submitted bids for the project.

Four bids were received and publicly opened on March 17, 2020. Due to procedural irregularity during the bid opening, and upon consultation with City Attorney's office, a decision was made to reject all bids and re-advertise the project.

The Department of Public Works will re-advertise plans and specifications for competitive bidding subsequent to City Council's rejection of the March 17 submitted bids. The project will advertise for three weeks and the Department will return to City Council for contract award. The delay in demolishing the building and clearing the site will not delay design and construction phases of the new park.

COUNCIL POLICY CONSIDERATION:

Rejecting all bids supports the City Council's goals to maintain fiscal responsibility and stability.

ENVIRONMENTAL ANALYSIS:

Public Resources Code Section 21080(b)(5) and Section 15270 of the State CEQA Guidelines statutorily exempt from CEQA "projects which a public agency rejects or disapproves." The rejection of bids for the Banner Bank Demolition project is statutorily exempt from CEQA per these Sections.

FISCAL IMPACT:

This action has no fiscal impact.

Respectfully submitted,



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