

# Agenda Report

TO: CITY COUNCIL

April 20, 1998

FROM: Acting City Manager

SUBJECT: Construction Contract Award:  
Ballfield Slope Improvements in Villa-Parke Center

## RECOMMENDATION:

It is recommended that the City Council:

- (1) Accept the bid, dated March 2, 1998, from Fredrick Towers, Inc., in response to the specifications for the Ballfield Slope Improvements in Villa-Parke Center, reject all other bids received, and authorize the Acting City Manager to enter into such contract as required. The amount of the proposed contract is \$48,500.
- (2) Acknowledge the project to be categorically exempt from the provisions of the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) pursuant to Section 15301(f) of the State CEQA Guidelines (addition of safety features in conjunction with existing facilities involving no expansion of use beyond that previously existing) and authorize the City Clerk to file a Notice of Determination therefor with the Los Angeles County Clerk.
- (3) Approve a journal voucher appropriating \$10,000 from Residential Development Fee No. R9604957 to Budget Account 78180 (Villa-Parke Center Site Improvements).

## BACKGROUND:

Plans and specifications for the subject project, which is included in the adopted Capital Improvement Program, were prepared for the Public Works and Transportation Department by Applied Engineering Group. In accordance with Section 4.08.070 of the Pasadena Municipal Code, bids have been requested and received.

The project provides for minor slope grading, and the construction of drainage facilities, concrete block retaining walls, concrete seating walls, and concrete walkways and stairs designed to provide access to bleachers and spectator viewing areas that will meet the requirements of the Americans with Disabilities Act. These improvements will repair and control future erosion on the slope behind the softball field backstop.

A finding of compliance with the Cultural and Recreational Element of the General Plan was previously made and is shown on Page 10.19 of the approved FY 1998-2002 Capital Improvement Program.

The project is categorically exempt from the provisions of the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) pursuant to Section 15301(f) of the State CEQA Guidelines (addition of safety features in conjunction with existing facilities involving no expansion of use beyond that previously existing) and it is recommended that the Acting City Manager be authorized to execute and the City Clerk to file a Notice of Determination therefor with the Los Angeles County Clerk.

The project was advertised in the Pasadena Weekly on February 12, 1998. In addition, the Notice Inviting Bids was published in two trade publications and letters were sent to 12 minority contracting organizations informing them of the project and requesting that members of their organizations submit bids. Bid packets were obtained by 23 contractors, including nine protected class firms – four of which submitted bids for the project.

Bids were opened on March 4, 1998 and the results were as follows:

|     | <u>Bidder</u>                                  | <u>Amount</u> |
|-----|--|---------------|
| 1.  | *Fredrick Towers, Inc., Tujunga                | \$44,163.00   |
| 2.  | *Ameriko, Inc., Pasadena                       | \$47,258.26   |
| 3.  | Los Angeles Engineering, Inc., Rosemead        | \$49,328.50   |
| 4.  | *Parsans Construction Company, North Hollywood | \$50,275.00   |
| 5.  | M. W. Loyd, Inc., Chatsworth                   | \$54,250.00   |
| 6.  | Gansek Construction, Canoga Park               | \$55,068.00   |
| 7.  | Civil Constructors, Rosemead                   | \$61,824.00   |
| 8.  | A & R Construction Corp., Northridge           | \$64,275.00   |
| 9.  | E & M Constructors, Sylmar                     | \$68,530.00   |
| 10. | *Ryco Construction, Inc., Gardena              | \$81,929.00   |
| 11. | Lemay General Engineering, Inc., Camarillo     | \$85,007.00   |
|     | Engineer's Estimate                            | \$36,784.00   |

\*Indicates Protected Class Owned Firm

The bid submitted by Fredrick Towers, Inc. is the lowest responsible and responsive bid. It is, therefore, recommended that the firm be awarded a contract for the project.

The proposed contract with Fredrick Towers, Inc. fully complies with the Affirmative Action in Contracting Ordinance and the rules and regulations promulgated thereunder as did the contractor selection process. The contractor has indicated that there will not be any new hires as a result of this contract.

The proposed contract with Fredrick Towers, Inc. will be set up as follows:

|                                 |              |
|---------------------------------|--------------|
| Base Bid                        | \$44,163     |
| Contingency Allowance           | <u>4,337</u> |
| Contract "Not to Exceed" Amount | \$48,500     |

Restoration of the balance of the slope surrounding the softball field by minor grading, irrigation system installation, and erosion control planting will be scheduled when funds become available for this work.

It is anticipated that construction of the present project will begin in June 1998 and take approximately six weeks to complete.

FISCAL IMPACT:

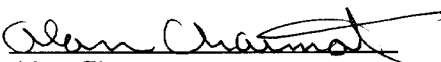
Approximately \$44,500 is available for this project in Budget Account 78180 (Villa-Parke Center Site Improvements). Approval of the recommended journal voucher appropriating \$10,000 to Budget Account 78180 will provide sufficient funds for the proposed construction contract plus the cost of the related contract administration and inspection.

Respectfully submitted,




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