

# Agenda Report

DATE: NOVEMBER 22, 1999

TO: CITY COUNCIL

FROM: CITY MANAGER

SUBJECT: REJECTION OF ALL BIDS FOR LANDSCAPE MAINTENANCE OF VARIOUS CITY FACILITIES IN LANDSCAPE MAINTENANCE AREAS I AND II.

## RECOMMENDATION:

It is recommended that the City Council reject all bids for Landscape Maintenance of Various City Facilities in Landscape Maintenance Areas I and II.

## BACKGROUND:

On August 19, 1999 bids were received in response to specifications for the Landscape Maintenance of various City facilities in landscape maintenance areas I and II. Subsequent to the bid opening, but prior to recommendation of a contract award, staff discovered an oversight in the bid specifications that necessitates re-bidding the work.

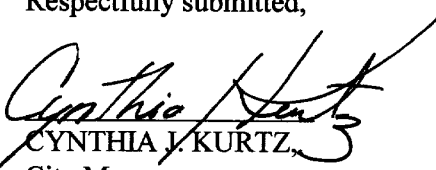
In preparing the specifications, staff sought to establish a one-year base contract period with two, one-year optional extension periods. Each period would be subject to the approval of both parties and would allow for increases to the prices contained in the bid schedule not to exceed a fixed escalator, such as the consumer price index.

Although the specifications did include language regarding the one-year base term and optional extension periods, it did not include the mechanism for price escalation. Given the nature of this work, staff believes it is important that the specifications include such a mechanism to accommodate increases in labor costs, should such costs actually arise. For this reason, staff is requesting that the City Council reject all bids. Staff will revise the specifications accordingly and re-issue.

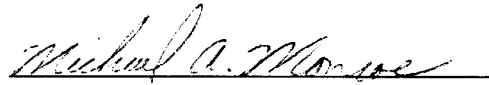
## FISCAL IMPACT:

The cost of reissuing and rebidding the specifications is negligible. Funds for this project (Landscape Maintenance Areas I and II) are included in the approved Operation Budget for Fiscal Year 1999/2000 under budget account 765100 and 765400.

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