

Agenda Report

TO: CITY COUNCIL

DATE: November 2, 2009

FROM: CITY MANAGER

SUBJECT: CONTRACT AWARD TO PIMA CORPORATION DBA ADVANCED CONSTRUCTION FOR FILLMORE TRANSIT PLAZA – FILLMORE STREET FROM RAYMOND AVENUE TO 175 FEET EAST FOR AN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$220,000

RECOMMENDATION:

It is recommended that the City Council:

1. Find that, on September 9, 2009, the project was found to be categorically exempt under CEQA Guidelines Section 15301 (Class 1), subsection (c) (maintenance of existing public streets), a Notice of Exemption for the project was filed with the Los Angeles County Clerk on September 25, 2009, and there are no changed circumstances or new information which would require further environmental review; and
2. Accept the bid, dated October 21, 2009, submitted by Pima Corporation dba Advanced Construction for the Fillmore Transit Plaza – Fillmore Street from Raymond Avenue to 175 Feet East, reject all other bids received, and authorize the City Manager to enter into such contract not to exceed \$220,000 which consists of \$158,070 base bid, \$19,930 in contingency allowance, and \$42,000 in additional work.

BACKGROUND:

This project is one of twelve enhancement projects that will improve safety and traffic circulation for pedestrian and vehicular traffic along the Gold Line route and stations, thereby improving ridership. It involves the construction of a pedestrian plaza on the closed portion of Fillmore Street from Raymond Avenue east to the cul-de-sac at the MTA Gold Line Station as shown on the attached Exhibit "A".

The project is consistent with the General Plan's Mobility Element Objective 4.2 by improving the pedestrian environment and Objective 4.5 by improving and stabilizing the flow of traffic on local streets. In addition, the project is consistent with the Land Use Element Policy 19.2 by reducing traffic congestion.

The work consists of the removal of street improvements, including concrete curb, gutter, sidewalk, drainage facilities such as catch basins and storm drain pipes, and signs; construction of concrete curb, gutter, local depressions, sidewalk, and curb ramps; construction of integral colored reinforced concrete and modular concrete pavers pedestrian walkway; adjustment of utility manholes; installation of new pedestrian lighting, conduit, conductors, and pull boxes; installation of irrigation system, landscaping, tree planting; and miscellaneous appurtenant work.

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 Star News on September 24, 2009. In addition, the Notice Inviting Bids was published in three trade publications and listed on the City website. Bid packets were obtained by 35 contractors, 14 of whom submitted bids for the project.

The following bids were opened on October 21, 2009, and are as follows:

	<u>Bidder</u>	<u>Amount</u>
1.	Pima Corporation dba Advanced Construction, Los Angeles	\$158,070.00
2.	M G Enterprises, Inc., Tarzana	\$165,340.00
3.	F S Construction, Sylmar	\$172,440.00
4.	Yakar, San Dimas	\$171,800.00
5.	B & T Works, Inc., Wildomar	\$179,807.50
6.	Vart Construction, Glendale	\$199,610.00
7.	Lee Construction Co., Simi Valley	\$216,827.00
8.	G. Coast Construction, Encino	\$217,535.00
9.	EBS Concrete, Inc., South El Monte	\$218,714.12
10.	Landmark Site Contractors, Perris	\$221,975.00
11.	Padilla Paving, Santa Clarita	\$226,730.00
12.	Talcal Engineering, Inc., West Hills	\$240,663.00
13.	Tyner Paving Co., Los Angeles	\$245,162.60
14.	E. C. Construction, South El Monte	\$256,561.67
	Engineer's Estimate	\$190,000.00

The lowest bid received was 16.8 percent lower than the Engineer's Estimate due to a slowing economy, resulting in greater competition between contractors.

It is recommended that Pima Corporation dba Advanced Construction be awarded the contract for this project as they are the lowest responsive and responsible bidder. The proposed contract with Pima Corporation fully complies with the Competitive Bidding and Living Wage Ordinances. The Contractor has indicated that the award of this contract will result in four new hires, including one Pasadena resident, to his present workforce.

Due to the low bid received, additional work that has been taken out can be put back to the project. The additional work includes the installation of planter pots on pedestals, recessed lighting on seat walls, MTA kiosk and pylon, and other miscellaneous work that are important design elements used to enhance the aesthetics of the project.

The proposed contract will be set up as follows:

Base Bid	\$158,070.00
Contingency Allowance	\$ 19,930.00
Additional Work	\$ <u>42,000.00</u>
Contract "Not to Exceed" Amount	\$220,000.00

It is anticipated that the project will begin in November 2009 and be completed in December 2009.

ENVIRONMENTAL ISSUES:

On September 9, 2009, the City Engineer signed off on the plans and specifications for the project and found that the project is exempt from review pursuant to the California Environmental Quality Act pursuant to State CEQA Guidelines Section 15301(c). Section 15301 generally exempts the repair, maintenance or minor alteration of public facilities involving negligible or no expansion beyond their existing use. Subsection (c) specifically exempts such activities on existing streets. The proposed project falls within the maintenance or minor alterations covered by this exemption. There are no changed circumstances or new information which would require further environmental review.

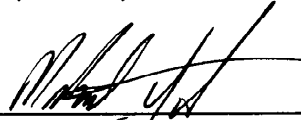
The project addresses the energy category of the Green City Action Plan with the use of Light Emitting Diodes (LED) as a light source in pedestrian lighting, thereby reducing the City's energy consumption and peak electric load by 10% by 2012, decreasing maintenance demand, providing longer lasting operation, and more importantly providing the City an annual energy cost savings of 60% to 70%. In addition, the project utilizes solar powered irrigation system, thereby further reducing energy consumption.

The project also addresses the water category of the Green City Action Plan with the utilization of drought resistant landscaping to reduce water consumption.

FISCAL IMPACT:

Sufficient Gold Line Surplus Funds and Light Rail Reserves (Proposition A/C) funds for this project are available in Capital Improvement Budget Account 75510, Fillmore Station Pedestrian Plaza – Raymond Avenue to Station and Fillmore Street Improvements.

Respectfully submitted,



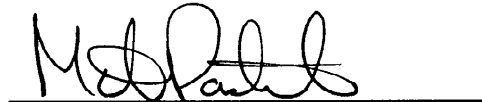
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