



## Agenda Report

May 10, 2010

**TO:** Honorable Mayor and City Council

**FROM:** Director of Public Works

**SUBJECT: CONTRACT AMENDMENT TO CONTRACT NO. 20,105 WITH CHAPARRAL CONSTRUCTION CORPORATION FOR WALNUT STREET IMPROVEMENTS FROM COOK AVENUE TO SUNNYSLOPE AVENUE TO INCREASE THE CONTRACT AMOUNT FROM \$1,347,500 TO \$1,387,500**

### **RECOMMENDATION:**

It is recommended that the City Council:

1. Acknowledge that the project was reviewed for compliance with the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) and a Mitigated Negative Declaration was adopted for the project on May 4, 2007. In compliance with CEQA Section 15162, this change in the project is not substantial and does not require major revisions to the EIR because it does not trigger any new significant effects or increase the severity of previously identified environmental effects, and additionally there are no changed circumstances or new information which would require further environmental review; and
2. Authorize the City Manager to amend Contract No. 20,105 with Chaparral Construction Corporation to increase the contract by \$40,000 for a total not to exceed amount of \$1,387,500 for additional work as part of the Walnut Street Improvements from Cook Avenue to Sunnyslope Avenue.

### **BACKGROUND:**

On October 19, 2009, the City Council approved the contract award to Chaparral Construction Corporation for the Walnut Street Improvement from Cook Avenue to Sunnyslope Avenue in the amount of \$1,347,500. As part of this contract, 360 lineal feet of nine feet high chain link fence on top of a 3-foot retaining wall was proposed to be constructed around the perimeter of the existing Santa Anita Substation on Walnut Street between Altadena Drive and Virginia Avenue for security purposes.

In order to enhance and improve the security of the substation, the Water and Power Department requested the fencing design be changed from a chain link fence to a concrete masonry unit (CMU) wall system, ten feet high on top of a three feet high retaining wall. The cost difference to construct the CMU block wall system will be \$80,000 due to the additional material, equipment and labor cost. Consequently, this contract amendment is necessary to increase the not to exceed contract amount by \$40,000 to pay a portion of the cost of this improvement. The remaining cost balance will be paid by the contingency allowance of this contract.

This change will not significantly delay the construction of the Walnut Street Improvement project and subject project is still anticipated to be completed in May 2010.

The proposed contract amendment will increase the not to exceed amount as follows:

Base bid	\$1,225,053.25
Contingency Allowance	122,446.75
Additional Cost	<u>40,000.00</u>
Total	\$1,387,500.00

**COUNCIL POLICY CONSIDERATION:**

This project is consistent with Objective 5 of the Public Facilities Element of the General Plan by encouraging a high level of maintenance and upgrading of existing facilities to ensure public safety.

**ENVIRONMENTAL ANALYSIS:**

On October 19, 2009, the City Council approved the project and in compliance with CEQA, adopted a Mitigated Negative Declaration (MND). The Notice of Determination was filed with the County Clerk on May 4, 2007. The proposed change from chain link to a CMU wall system is similar to what was reviewed and adopted under the MND. The location and length of the wall are not changing. In compliance with CEQA Section 15162 this change in the project is not substantial and does not require major revisions to the EIR because it does not trigger any new significant effects or increase the severity of previously identified environmental effects, and additionally there are no changed circumstances that would require further environmental review.

**FISCAL IMPACT:**

With the proposed contract amendment of \$1,387,500, sufficient funds are available in the Capital Improvement Budget Account Number 73132, Kinneloa Avenue – Walnut Street Extensions and Improvements, which consist of Commercial Development, Gas Tax, Power Fund, and Proposition B-1 funds.

Respectfully submitted,



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