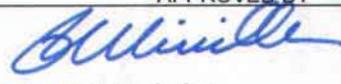


March 29, 2012

FROM: PATRICK N. WIEMILLER, Director
Department of Public Utilities

BY: STEPHEN A. HOGG, Assistant Director 
Department of Public Utilities, Wastewater Management Division

SUBJECT: APPROVE A FINDING OF CLASS 3 AND 4 CATEGORICAL EXEMPTIONS PURSUANT TO SECTION 15303(d) (NEW CONSTRUCTION OR CONVERSION OF SMALL STRUCTURES) AND 15304(f) (MINOR ALTERATIONS TO LAND) OF THE CALIFORNIA ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY ACT GUIDELINES FOR THE CONSTRUCTION OF NEW MANHOLE ACCESS SEWER STRUCTURES FOR THE WASTEWATER COLLECTION SYSTEM. AWARD A \$213,200 CONTRACT TO FLOYD JOHNSTON CONSTRUCTION COMPANY, INC. OF CLOVIS, CALIFORNIA, FOR NEW MANHOLE ACCESS SEWER STRUCTURES (BID FILE NO. 3143) (COUNCIL DISTRICTS NO. 1, 2, 4, 6, and 7)

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| AGENDA ITEM NO. | 1 C |
| COUNCIL MEETING | 03/29/12 |
| APPROVED BY | |
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| DEPARTMENT DIRECTOR | |
| CITY MANAGER | |

RECOMMENDATIONS

Staff recommends the City Council

1. Adopt a finding of Class 3 and 4 Categorical Exemption pursuant to Section 15303(d) (New Construction or Conversion of Small Structures) and 15304(f) (Minor Alterations to Land) of the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) guidelines for the construction of new manhole access sewer structures for the Wastewater Collection System.
2. Award a contract in the amount of \$213,200 to Floyd Johnston Construction Company, Inc., of Clovis, California, for constructing ten new manhole access sewer structures within the City of Fresno as the lowest responsive and responsible bidder.

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

The Department of Public Utilities Wastewater Management Division is seeking to award a construction contract for ten new manhole access sewer structures within the City of Fresno. These access structures are used for sewer system maintenance. Staff recommends that the City Council adopt a finding of Class 3 and 4 Categorical Exemption, pursuant to Section 15303(d) and 15304(f) of the CEQA guidelines and award a contract in the amount of \$213,200 to Floyd Johnston Construction Company, Inc., of Clovis, California as the lowest responsive and responsible bidder.

BACKGROUND

The City of Fresno Department of Public Utilities, Wastewater Management Division through the Sewer Collection System Maintenance workgroup is responsible for maintaining the City's sewer infrastructure consisting of over 1,490 miles of sewer mains. These new structures will reduce the distance between existing

maintenance manholes and allow for proper inspection, viewing and cleaning of the sanitary sewers, trunks and mainlines.

Plans and specifications were prepared for the project. A Notice Inviting Proposals was published on January 13, 2012 posted on the City's website and faxed to ten building exchanges. The specifications were distributed to 20 prospective proposers. Five sealed proposals were received and publicly opened on February 9, 2012. Bid proposal prices ranged from \$213,200 to \$345,000.

Floyd Johnston Construction Company, Inc. was the lowest responsive bidder with their bid amount of \$213,200. Staff recommends that the City Council award a contract in the amount of \$213,200 to Floyd Johnston Construction Company, Inc. as the lowest responsive and responsible bidder. Their bid price is 7% above the construction allocation of \$200,000. The Engineer's Estimate was \$200,000.

The Council may award a contract in the amount of \$213,200 to Floyd Johnston Construction Company, Inc., and the project will be completed within 25 working days from the date of the Notice to Proceed.

The Council may reject all bids. If all bids are rejected, the project will be rebid resulting in a delay of approximately 85 days. This delay will cause the project to be in stalemate until the new fiscal year.

ENVIRONMENTAL FINDING

Staff has performed a preliminary environmental assessment of this project and has determined that it falls within Class 3 and 4 Categorical Exemptions set forth in California Environmental Quality Act Guidelines, Section 15303(d) (New Construction or Conversion of Small Structures) and 15304(f) (Minor Alterations to Land) as this contract is for the construction of new manhole access sewer structures involving the construction of ten new manholes which will involve minor trenching and backfilling where the surface is restored. Furthermore, none of the exceptions to Categorical Exemptions set forth in the CEQA Guidelines, Section 15300.2 apply to this project.

FISCAL IMPACT

The funds for this project are available in the 2012 Sewer Enterprise reserve funds No. 40501.

FISCAL IMPACT STATEMENT

PROGRAM:

| <u>RECOMMENDATION</u> | <u>TOTAL OR CURRENT</u> | <u>ANNUALIZED COST</u> |
|---|-----------------------------|----------------------------|
| Direct Cost | <u>\$213,200.00</u> | _____ |
| Indirect Cost | <u>\$18,100.00</u> | _____ |
| TOTAL COST | <u>\$231,300.00</u> | _____ |
| Additional Revenue or Savings Generated | _____ | _____ |
| Net City Cost | <u>\$231,300.00</u> | _____ |
| Amount Budgeted (If none budgeted, identify source) | <u>\$220,000.00</u> | _____ |
| Inspection | <u>\$10,100.00</u> | |
| Administration | <u>\$3,000.00</u> | |
| Contract Compliance | <u>\$3,000.00</u> | |
| Other | <u>\$2,000.00</u> | |

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EVALUATION OF BID PROPOSALS

FOR: NEW MANHOLE ACCESS SEWER STRUCTURES

Bid File No. 3143
Bid Opening: 2/9/12

| BIDDERS NAME | TOTAL NET BID AMOUNT |
|--|----------------------|
| 1. Floyd Johnston Construction 2301 Herndon Clovis, CA 93611 | \$213,200.00 |
| 2. George Dakovich & Son, Inc. 6135 N Golden State Fresno, CA 93722 | \$213,250.00 |
| 3. West Valley Construction Company, Inc. 580 McGlincy Lane Campbell, CA 95008 | \$223,870.00 |
| 4. Haydon Construction 2350 N Chestnut Fresno, CA 93703 | \$233,850.00 |
| 5. Bill Nelson, GEC, Inc. 401 W. Fallbrook Ave #104 Fresno, CA 93711 | \$345,000.00 |

Each bidder has agreed to allow the City sixty-two (64) days from date bids are opened to accept or reject their bid proposal. Purchasing requests that you complete the following sections and return this bid evaluation to the Purchasing Division at the latest by Wednesday, March 7, 2012 5:00 P.M.

The Engineers Estimate for this expenditure is \$200,000. The contract price is 7% above the Engineer's Estimate. If the overage is greater than 10% or only one bid was received, give explanation:

BACKGROUND OF PROJECT:

The City of Fresno Department of Public Utilities, Wastewater Management Division through the Sewer Maintenance workgroup is responsible for maintaining the City's sewer infrastructure consisting of over 1,490 miles of sewer mains. The purpose for installing these new structures is to help reduce the distance between existing maintenance manholes and allow for proper inspection, viewing and cleaning the sanitary sewers trunk and mainlines.

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DEPARTMENT CONCLUSIONS AND RECOMMENDATION:

Award a contract in the amount of \$ 213,200 to Floyd Johnston Construction Co., Inc. as the lowest responsive and responsible bidder.

Remarks:

Reject all bids. Reason:

Department Head Approval



Title Assistant Director of Public Utilities

Date 2/24/12

Approve Dept. Recommendation Approve GSD/Purchasing
Recommendation

Disapprove Disapprove

See Attachment

FINANCE DEPARTMENT

CITY MANAGER

Jason B. MacDonald 3/7/2012
Purchasing Manager Date

[Signature] 3/8/12
City Manager or Designee Date

Lauren Bradley 3/7/2012
Finance Director/Controller Date

