

AGENDA ITEM NO.	1 E
COUNCIL MEETING	5/6/2010
APPROVED BY	
	
DEPARTMENT DIRECTOR	
CITY MANAGER	

May 6, 2010

FROM: PATRICK N. WIEMILLER, Director
Public Works Department

BY: EFREN BAÑUELOS, Assistant Director 
Public Works Department, Capital Management Division

MARK M. JOHNSON, Project Manager 
General Services Department, Facilities & Major Projects Division

- SUBJECT: 1. ADOPT FINDING OF CLASS 1, 2, 3 AND 4 CATEGORICAL EXEMPTIONS, PURSUANT TO SECTION 15301(c), (f) AND (g) (EXISTING FACILITIES), 15302(c) (REPLACEMENT OR RECONSTRUCTION), 15303(d) (NEW CONSTRUCTION) AND 15304(a), (b) AND (f) (MINOR ALTERATIONS TO LAND) OF THE CEQA GUIDELINES, FOR CONSTRUCTION OF THE SUGAR PINE TRAIL COMPLETION PROJECT
2. AWARD A CONSTRUCTION CONTRACT IN THE AMOUNT OF \$443,085.00 TO CAL VALLEY GENERAL ENGINEERING, INC. OF FRESNO, CA, FOR CONSTRUCTION OF THE SUGAR PINE TRAIL COMPLETION PROJECT (COUNCIL DISTRICT NO. 6) (BID FILE NO. 3005)

RECOMMENDATIONS

Adopt Finding of Class 1, 2, 3 and 4 Categorical Exemptions, pursuant to Section 15301(c), (f) and (g) (existing facilities), 15302(c) (replacement or reconstruction), 15303(d) (new construction) and 15304(a), (b) and (f) (minor alterations to land) of the CEQA Guidelines, for construction of the Sugar Pine Trail Completion Project.

It is recommended that the Council award a construction contract to Cal Valley General Engineering, Inc. (Fresno, CA) for the construction of the Sugar Pine Trail Completion Project and authorize the Public Works Director or his designee to sign the contract on behalf of the City.

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

Staff has performed a preliminary environmental assessment of this project and has determined that this project fits within the definition of the Class 1 Categorical Exemption as set forth in CEQA Guidelines, Section 15301 (c), the project is to construct a bike trail within the existing City street right of way with no expansion of the existing use. Furthermore, staff has determined that none of the exceptions to the CE set forth in CEQA Guidelines, section 15300.2, apply. As such, staff has concluded that this Categorical Exemption applies to this project.

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The Public Works Department will improve the safety for both pedestrian and bicyclist by providing a well defined paved and or concrete path along Willow Avenue between Shepherd and Copper Avenues. This project will also add the benefits of connecting significant gaps in the regional trail system along Willow and Shepherd Avenue. The project will construct a Class I multi-purpose trail which will consist of a twelve (12) foot wide trail, landscaping, and irrigation between the limits of this project. The Class I multi-purpose trail will be constructed on the west side of Willow Avenue from Copper Avenue to approximately quarter of a mile (1/4) south of the intersection of Shepherd Avenue and Willow Avenue (see attached Exhibit A for limits of the project). Additionally, the project will construct the remaining quarter (1/4) mile gap along the north side of Shepherd Avenue, west of Willow Avenue.

On April 15, 2010, thirteen (13) sealed bids were received by the Purchasing Department. Twelve (12) bids were opened and one bid was submitted "for information only, not to be used as a bid document." Based on the sealed bids, Cal Valley General Engineering, Inc. (Fresno, CA) was determined to be the lowest responsive and responsible bidder. Staff recommends that Council award a construction contract in the amount of \$443,085.00 to Cal Valley General Engineering, Inc. and authorize the Public Works Director or his designee to sign the contract on behalf of the City. Funding for this project is included in the FY10 budget.

BACKGROUND

Staff has performed a preliminary environmental assessment of this project and has determined that it falls within the Class 1, 2, 3 and 4 Categorical Exemptions set forth in CEQA Guidelines, sections 15301(c) (f) and (g) (Existing Facilities); 15302(c) (Replacement or Reconstruction); 15303(d) (New Construction) ; 15304(a), (b) and (f) (Minor Alterations to Land) as this contract is for pavement and landscaping of existing bicycle and pedestrian dirt trails involving negligible expansion of use, and includes the addition of safety or health protection devices and new copy on existing signs. Next, the project involves the replacement of portions of existing utility systems involving negligible expansion of capacity, as well as water extensions of a reasonable length to serve the construction. In addition, the project consists of minor public alterations in the condition of land and water including grading on land with a slope of less than 10 percent, new landscaping and minor trenching and backfilling for the water irrigation system. Furthermore, the trail is consistent with the City of Fresno's 2025 General Plan and all applicable plan policies and would not result in any significant negative effects relating to traffic, noise, air quality or water quality. Finally, none of the exceptions to Categorical Exemptions set forth in the CEQA Guidelines, section 15300.2 apply to this project.

The Sugar Pine Trail is a significant corridor that allows a safe path of travel for pedestrians and bicyclists away from vehicles in the northern part of the City. The Sugar Pine Trail is in close proximity to Woodward Park, numerous residential neighborhoods, schools, and will eventually link to the Willow Trail, just north of Shepherd Avenue on Willow Avenue.

Blair, Church and Flynn Engineers prepared construction contract documents for the construction of the Sugar Pine Trail Completion Project. A Notice Inviting Bids was posted on the City's website and faxed to ten (10) building exchanges. The project is proposing to improve the safety for both pedestrian and bicyclist by providing a well defined path along Willow Avenue between Shepherd and Copper Avenues. This project will also add the benefits of connecting significant gaps in the regional trail system along Willow and Shepherd Avenue. The unimproved portions of the trails are

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already being used by bicyclists and pedestrians where the gaps have not been connected by pavement in the regional trail system. The project will construct a Class I multi-purpose trail which will consist of a twelve (12) foot wide trail, landscaping, and irrigation between the limits of this project. The Class I multi-purpose trail will be constructed on the west side of Willow Avenue from Copper Avenue to approximately quarter of a mile (1/4) south of the intersection of Shepherd Avenue and Willow Avenue (see attached Exhibit A for limits of the project). Additionally, the project will construct the remaining quarter (1/4) mile gap along the north side of Shepherd Avenue, west of Willow Avenue. This project is adjacent to facilities that will attract many pedestrians and bicyclists from the surrounding residential neighborhoods, Clovis North Educational and International Center, and the State Center Community College District.

The project was advertised on March 1, 2010. Construction contract documents were distributed to twenty-six (26) prospective bidders. Thirteen (13) sealed bids were received by the Purchasing Department. Twelve (12) bids were opened on April 15, 2010, and one bid was submitted "for informational purposes only, not to be used as a bid document." The total bid proposal prices ranged from \$443,085.00 to \$552,593.40.

The lowest bid was received by Cal Valley General Engineering, Inc. of Fresno, CA in the amount of \$443,085.00. The bid received from Cal Valley General Engineering, Inc. is 44% below the project's construction estimate and is considered a responsive and responsible bid. The staff determination was posted on the City's website site on April 26, 2010.

Adopt staff's recommendation which would award a contract, in the amount of \$443,085.00 to Cal Valley General Engineering, Inc. for the Sugar Pine Trail Completion Project. The bids received will expire within sixty-two (62) days of bid opening, i.e., as of June 18, 2010. The project will be completed within sixty (60) working days from the date of the Notice to Proceed.

The Council may:

- A. Adopt staff recommendation of Categorical Exemption for the construction of Sugar Pine Trail Completion Project; and,

Award a contract totaling \$443,085.00 to Cal Valley General Engineering, Inc. (Fresno, CA) for the construction of the Sugar Pine Trail Completion Project, as the lowest responsive and responsible bidders.

- B. The Council may reject all bids.

However, in the event all bids are rejected, a minimum of 90 days is required to rebid the project.

FISCAL IMPACT STATEMENT

Funding for this project is included in the FY10 budget. The project is funded from a Federal CMAQ Grant, State BTA Grant, and the local match is provided with Measure "C" funds. The project will have no impact on the General Fund.

PNW/EB/MMJ/eam
Adopt Findings Cate Exempt & Awd Cal Valley Gen Engr Sugar Pine Trail Compl Rev 5-6-2010

Attachment: Bid Evaluation Proposal
Fiscal Impact Statement

EVALUATION OF BID PROPOSALS

FOR: SUGAR PINE TRAIL COMPLETION PROJECT FEDERAL AID PROJECT NO. CML
5060(146)

Bid File No. 3005
Bid Opening: April 15, 2010

BIDDERS	TOTAL NET BID AMOUNT
1. Cal Valley General Engineering, Inc. 6271 W Bullard Avenue Fresno CA 93722	\$443,085.00
2. Western Paving Company PO Box 25368 Fresno CA 93729	\$449,859.75
3. Agee Construction Corporation 1039 Hoblitt Ave Clovis CA 93612	\$471,682.00
4. Granite Construction Company PO Box 50085 Watsonville CA 95077-5085	\$478,955.00
5. Jim Crawford Construction 1189 Hoblitt Clovis CA 93612	\$479,307.00
6. American Paving Co. PO Box 4348 Fresno CA 93744	\$496,293.00
7. R.J. Berry Jr., Inc. 2020 High St, Suite B Selma CA 93662	\$511,482.00
8. Dawson-Mauldin Construction, Inc. PO Box 8397 Huntington Beach CA 92615	\$518,409.10
9. Emmett's Excavation, Inc. 1477 Menlo Ave Clovis CA 93611	\$520,078.17
10. B&B Construction Services 4647 E Weathermaker #101 Fresno CA 93703	\$533,471.30

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11. Dave Christian Construction Co., Inc. 2233 S Minnewawa Fresno CA 93727-6317	\$542,192.45
12. Elite Landscaping, Inc. 2972 Larkin Ave Clovis CA 93612	\$552,593.40

Each bidder has agreed to allow the City sixty-four (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, May 12, 2010, 5:00 P.M.

The Engineer's Estimate/Budget Allocation for this expenditure is \$792,000.00. The contract price is 44% below the Engineer's Estimate/Budget Allocation. If the overage is greater than 10% or only one bid was received, give explanation:

BACKGROUND OF PROJECT (To be completed by Evaluating Department/
Division. Explain need for project/equipment):

The Sugar Pine Trail Completion Project will connect to the existing Class I trail on the north side of Shepherd Avenue. The Class I trail will begin on the north side of Shepherd Avenue, approximately ¼ mile east of Chestnut Avenue and extend to Willow Avenue. The Class I trail continues north on the west side of Willow Avenue from the intersection of Shepherd Avenue and Willow Avenue, approximately 2 miles north to Copper Avenue. Approximately 2.3 miles of Class I trail will be constructed. The project is adjacent to Clovis North Educational Center and International Center, State Center Community College District. The project will be a complete the trail-connectivity and benefit the schools and community. The project is within City Right-of-Way.

Staff, therefore, recommends the award to the lowest responsive and responsible bidder for the above-mentioned Sugar Pine Trail Completion Project.

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DEPARTMENT CONCLUSIONS AND RECOMMENDATION:

Award a contract in the amount of \$443,085.00 to Cal Valley General Engineering, Inc. as the lowest responsive and responsible bidder.

Remarks:

Reject all bids. Reason:

Department Head Approval

Ethan Samuels

Title Assistant Public Works Director

Date 4/21/10

A DBE goal of 3 % was established for this project. The recommended Contractor complied with the DBE requirements pursuant to the bid specifications.

Beth McDowell 4/26/10
DBE Program Coordinator Date

Approve Dept. Recommendation Approve GSD/Purchasing Recommendation

Disapprove Disapprove

See Attachment

GENERAL SERVICES DEPARTMENT

CITY MANAGER

Jayson B. MacDonald 4/22/2010
Purchasing Manager Date

[Signature] 4/23/10
City Manager or Designee Date

[Signature] 4/22/10
Director Date

FISCAL IMPACT STATEMENT

PROGRAM: SUGAR PINE TRAIL COMPLETION PROJECT- BID FILE # 3005
PW00431

<u>RECOMMENDATION</u>	<u>TOTAL OR CURRENT</u>	<u>ANNUALIZED COST</u>
Direct Cost	<u>\$443,085.00</u>	_____
Indirect Cost *	<u>\$120,000.00</u>	_____
TOTAL COST	<u>\$563,000.00</u>	_____
Additional Revenue or Savings Generated	_____	_____
Net City Cost	<u>\$563,000.00</u>	_____
Amount Budgeted (If none budgeted, identify source)	<u>\$563,000.00</u>	_____

* Indirect costs are comprised of the following:

Contract Administration	\$25,000
Construction Engineering	\$80,000
Project Closeout	<u>\$15,000</u>
TOTAL	\$120,000