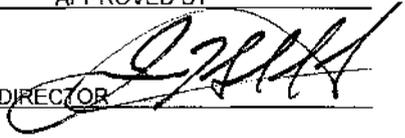
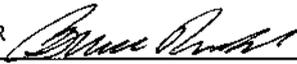


AGENDA ITEM NO. 1H

COUNCIL MEETING 06/05/14

APPROVED BY

DEPARTMENT DIRECTOR 

CITY MANAGER 

June 5, 2014

**FROM:** STEPHEN A. HOGG, Assistant Director  For  
Department of Public Utilities – Wastewater Management Division

**BY:** KEVIN L. NORGAARD, PE, Supervising Professional Engineer  
Department of Public Utilities – Wastewater Management Division

**SUBJECT:** Actions pertaining to the Jensen Avenue Improvements at the Regional Wastewater Reclamation Facility

1. Adopt a finding of Class 2 and 4 Categorical Exemptions, pursuant to Section 15302(C) (Replacement or Reconstruction) and 15304(F) (Minor Alterations to Land) of the California Environmental Quality Act Guidelines (CEQA)
2. Award a \$132,682 construction contract to Yarbs Grading and Paving Inc. of Fowler, California

### RECOMMENDATIONS

Staff recommends that City Council:

1. Adopt a finding of Class 2 and 4 Categorical Exemptions, pursuant to Section 15302(C) and 15304(F) of the CEQA Guidelines
2. Award a \$132,682 construction contract to Yarbs Grading and Paving Inc. of Fowler, California

### EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

The Department of Public Utilities (DPU) Wastewater Management Division is seeking to award a construction contract to improve the condition of the asphalt at the entrance at the Regional Wastewater Reclamation Facility (RWRF). Staff recommends that the City Council adopt a finding of Class 2 and 4 Categorical Exemptions, pursuant to Section 15302(C) and 15304(F) of the CEQA Guidelines and award a construction contract in the amount of \$132,682 to Yarbs Grading and Paving Inc. of Fowler, California, as the lowest responsive and responsible bidder.

### BACKGROUND

The main entrance to the RWRF has become problematic. The Jensen Avenue entrance serves all wastewater staff, deliveries, vendors, grease haulers and septic haulers. Settlement and heavy truck traffic has left the existing entrance with low spots and deteriorated asphalt in need of improvement. In addition, accessing east bound Jensen is difficult, drivers must first head west when exiting the

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plant to clear the landscaping then turn back east to merge onto Jensen. Improvements to the aforementioned items will eliminate bottle necking issues and improve safety when exiting the RWRF. DPU recommends improving the asphalt at the entrance of the RWRF and widening part of the exiting road from Jensen Avenue to the front gate of the RWRF.

Plans and specifications were prepared for the project. A Notice Inviting Bids was published on March 14, 2014, posted on the City's website, and faxed to ten building exchanges. The specifications were distributed to 37 prospective bidders. Nine sealed bid proposals were received and publicly opened on April 15, 2014. The bid proposal prices ranged from \$132,682 to \$218,282.

Yarbs Grading and Paving Inc. of Fowler, California was the lowest responsive bidder, submitting a bid of \$132,682. Staff determination was posted on the City Website on May 8, 2014. Staff recommends that the City Council award a contract in the amount of \$132,682 to Yarbs Grading and Paving Inc. of Fowler, California as the lowest responsive and responsible bidder. Their bid price is 9.2% below the Engineer's Estimate of \$146,000.

Attorney has reviewed and approved to form. Upon approval by the City Council, the agreement will be executed by the Director of Public Utilities or designee, who has been delegated this authority by the City Manager.

### **ENVIRONMENTAL FINDINGS**

Staff has performed a preliminary environmental assessment of this project and has determined that it falls within Class 2 and 4 Categorical Exemptions set forth in CEQA Guidelines, Section 15302(c) (Replacement or Reconstruction) and 15304(f) (Minor Alterations to Land) as this contract is for the construction phase of the paving project which involves minor trenching and backfilling of existing surface. Furthermore, none of the exceptions to Categorical Exemptions set forth in the CEQA Guidelines, Section 15300.2 apply to this project.

### **LOCAL PREFERENCE**

Local preference did not impact the award of this project because the low bidder was located within the local preference area and the next lowest bid was 7.5% higher and not within the limits of one half of one percent.

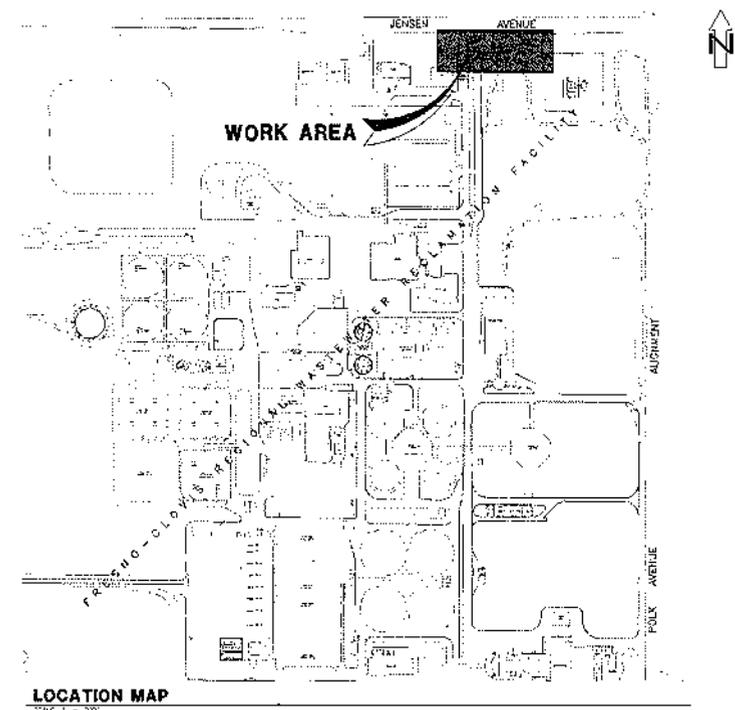
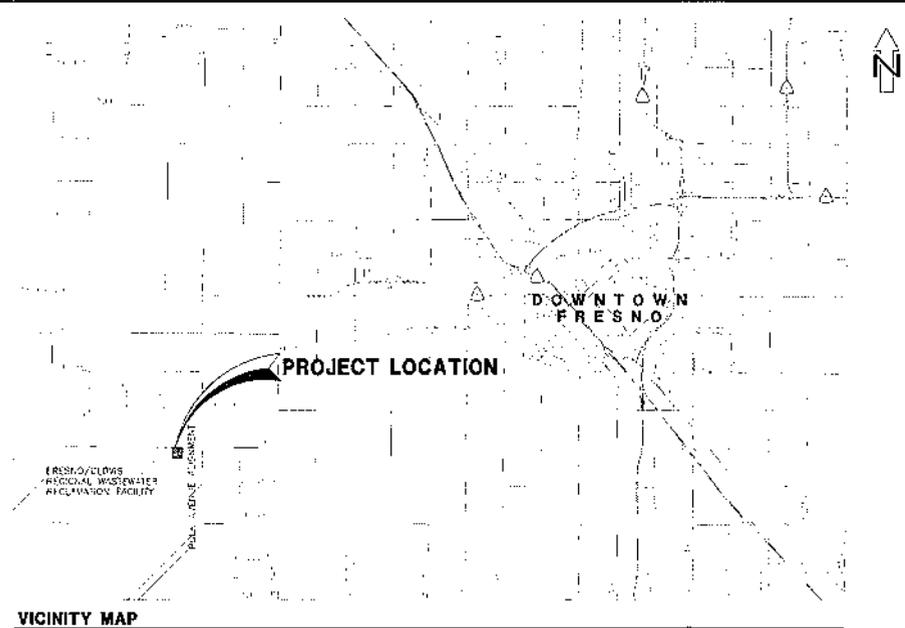
### **FISCAL IMPACT**

This project is located in Council District 3. The total fiscal impact of this contract would be \$139,182 with no impact to the General Fund. Funds in the amount of \$179,000 were appropriated for the project in the FY2014 Budget, 5 year Capital Improvement Plan Fund No. 40501.

#### Attachments:

- Vicinity Map
- Bid Evaluation
- Fiscal Impact Statement

CITY OF  
**FRESNO**  
 DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC UTILITIES  
**FRESNO-CLOVIS REGIONAL  
 WASTEWATER RECLAMATION FACILITY  
 JENSEN AVENUE ENTRANCE  
 IMPROVEMENTS**



**BASIS OF HORIZONTAL CONTROL**

THE HORIZONTAL CONTROL OF THE PROJECT IS BASED UPON THE REVISION 10/15/11 OF THE SITE EXAMINE AND EXISTING RECORD DATA. LOCAL CONTROL FOR THE PROJECT IS THE FRESNO-CLAVIS REGIONAL WASTEWATER RECLAMATION FACILITY.

**BASIS OF VERTICAL CONTROL**

THE VERTICAL CONTROL IS BASED UPON THE HORIZONTAL CONTROL AND THE FRESNO-CLAVIS REGIONAL WASTEWATER RECLAMATION FACILITY.

**NOTES**

1. MAKE FIELD MEASUREMENTS AS NECESSARY TO CORRECT THE INFORMATION GIVEN BY THESE PLANS.
2. VERIFY LOCATION OF ALL EXISTING UTILITIES ON SITE.
3. REMOVE ALL TRASH AND DEBRIS AS PERMITTED FOR CONSTRUCTION.
4. THE CONTRACTOR SHALL VERIFY THE LOCATION OF ALL UTILITIES ON THE SITE AND THE PROVISIONS AS SHOWN ON THESE PLANS. THE CONTRACTOR SHALL BE RESPONSIBLE FOR THE LOCATION OF ALL UTILITIES ON THE SITE.
5. VERIFY ALL INFORMATION ON THESE PLANS IS CORRECT BY FIELD MEASUREMENTS. THE CONTRACTOR SHALL BE RESPONSIBLE FOR THE LOCATION OF ALL UTILITIES ON THE SITE.

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<p>Blair, Church Flynn</p> <p>CONSULTING ENGINEERS</p>		<p>DATE: 10/15/11</p> <p>BY: BLAIR CHURCH FLYNN</p> <p>CHECKED: [Signature]</p> <p>DATE: 10/15/11</p>	<p>PROJECT NO. 11-001</p> <p>DATE: 10/15/11</p>	<p>CITY OF FRESNO</p> <p>FRESNO-CLOVIS REGIONAL          WASTEWATER RECLAMATION FACILITY          JENSEN AVENUE ENTRANCE IMPROVEMENTS</p> <p>COVER SHEET</p>	<p>DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS</p> <p>DIRECTOR</p>
					<p>APPROVED</p> <p>[Signature]</p> <p>DATE: 10/15/11</p>

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**EVALUATION OF BID**  
**PROPOSALS**

FOR: FRESNO-CLOVIS REGIONAL WASTEWATER RECLAMATION FACILITY JENSEN  
AVENUE ENTRANCE IMPROVEMENTS

Bid File No. 3336  
Bid Opening: 4/15/14

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BIDDER'S	BID AMOUNT
1. Yarbs Grading and Paving, Inc. P.O. Box 87 Fowler, CA 93625	\$132,682.00
2. Witbro, Inc. dba Seal Rite Paving 5677 N Fresno St #107 Fresno, CA 93710	\$143,432.56
3. Dave Christian Construction 2963 N Sunnyside Ave, #108 Fresno, CA 93727	\$150,714.45

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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 7, 2014 5:00 P.M.

The Engineers Estimate for this expenditure is \$142,000. The contract price is 9.2% 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**

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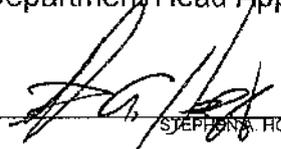
**DEPARTMENT CONCLUSIONS AND RECOMMENDATION:**

Award a contract in the amount of \$ 132,682 to Yarbs Grading and Paving Inc. of Fowler, California as the lowest responsive and responsible bidder.

Remarks:

Reject all bids. Reason:

Department Head Approval

  
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STEPHEN A. HOGG

Title Assistant Director of Public Utilities

Date 5-2-14

Approve Dept. Recommendation  Approve Finance/Purchasing  
Recommendation

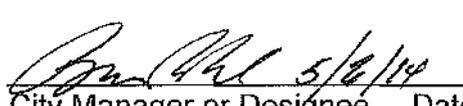
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See Attachment

FINANCE DEPARTMENT

CITY MANAGER

  
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Purchasing Manager Date 5/2/14

  
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City Manager or Designee Date 5/2/14

  
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Assistant Controller Date 5/2/2014



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