REPORT TO CITY COUNCIL

DATE:

AUGUST 12, 2020

TO:

HONORABLE MAYOR AND MEMBERS OF THE CITY COUNCIL

FROM:

NATHAN HAMBURGER, CITY MANAGER

BY:

JESSICA FORTE, DIRECTOR OF PUBLIC WORKS/CITY ENGINEER

SUBJECT: CONTRACT AWARD FOR THE COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANT (CDBG) FOREST COVE PARK REHABILITATION AND

MAINTENANCE PROJECT #602174-19; NIB 20-01

On December 11, 2019, the City Council approved Resolution No. 19-1919, which identified the City's Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) programs and projects for Fiscal Year 2019-20. Forest Cove Park Rehabilitation and Maintenance Project was identified and approved as part of the City's FY 2019-20 CDBG Program. CDBG funding for the project will allow for improved accessibility to the playground.

On June 5 and 11, 2020, the City advertised the CDBG Forest Cove Park Rehabilitation and Maintenance Project #602174-19; NIB 20-01 (Project). The scope of work includes sand removal in the lower playground and replacement with new rubber play-n-pour surface on the majority of the play area. Wood fiber will be installed around the exit points of the two tallest slides, four surrounding benches will be replaced, and concrete repairs will take place near restrooms and the parking lot to meet ADA standards. Additionally, the parking lot will be crack filled, slurry sealed, and restriped with current ADA designated parking stalls and an accessible path of travel from the parking lot to the existing play equipment.

On July 8, 2020, the City received two (2) bids electronically through Planet Bids for the Project. The bid results were as follows:

Contractor	Base Bid Amount
Ardalan Construction Company, Inc.	\$218,200
R.E. Schultz Construction, Inc.	\$268,292

The lowest responsive bidder was Ardalan Construction Company, Inc. (Ardalan). Staff reviewed the bid submitted by Ardalan and deemed their bid responsive and acceptable. Ardalan provided references to several similar projects for several public agencies, and all were in good standing.

The bid package included an additive bid for the purchase and installation of shade sails over the play area. Inclusion of the bid alternative was dependent on the bid proposals received and available funding. Ardalan's bid for the additive item of shade sails was \$75,000. Although staff had previously inquired about the CDBG eligibility of shade sails, and had received feedback that the grant awarding agency would consider it, shade sails were ultimately not considered to be eligible as a CDBG expenditure. Given this year's budgetary constraints, due to Covid-19, the additive item will not be included as part of the recommended construction contract for the Project.

Staff recommends a 15% contingency (\$32,730), due to the small size of the project and availability of CDBG funds.

Additionally, staff recommends Quimby funds be authorized for upgrades to play equipment as necessary to bring it into compliance, as these improvements are not reimbursable through CDBG. The State Quimby Act allows for development fees to fund capital improvements at existing recreational and park facilities. These fees were collected from past developments and funds available are in the amount of \$8,346.62. However, a budget authorization is required, as Quimby funds are not currently identified in the City's Fiscal Year 2020-21 budget.

RECOMMENDATION

Staff respectfully recommends the City Council:

- 1. Award the Community Development Block Grant Forest Cove Park Rehabilitation and Maintenance Project #602174-19; NIB 20-01 to Ardalan Construction Company, Inc.;
- 2. Authorize a Capital Improvement Program budget adjustment in the amount of \$8,346.62 to reflect inclusion of Quimby funds for park playground improvements.
- 3. Authorize the City Engineer to issue necessary change orders within a 15% contingency.
- 4. Award a Construction Contract in the amount of \$218,200 to Ardalan Construction Company, Inc.