

REPORT TO CITY COUNCIL

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TO: HONORABLE MAYOR AND MEMBERS OF THE CITY COUNCIL

FROM: NATHAN HAMBURGER, CITY MANAGER

BY: JESSICA FORTE, DIRECTOR OF PUBLIC WORKS

SUBJECT: CONTRACT AWARD FOR THE ROADSIDE DRIVE BRIDGE WIDENING PROJECT; NIB 20-03

On November 25, 2020, staff began seeking construction bids for the Roadside Drive Bridge Widening Project; NIB 20-03. The scope of work consists of widening the existing bridge from 30 feet to 42 feet in width; adding a sidewalk on the south side of Roadside Drive (west of the bridge), and installing landscape and drainage improvements.

On December 22, 2020, the City received bids from five (5) contractors. The bid results were as follows:

Powell Constructors, Inc.	\$2,469,810.00
Los Angeles Engineering, Inc.	\$3,059,850.00
MCM Construction, Inc.	\$3,280,521.00
Granite Construction Co.	\$3,529,529.00
United Construction & Landscape, Inc.	\$3,793,192.08

Staff reviewed the bid submittal of the lowest bidder, Powell Constructors, Inc. (Powell), and deemed their bid responsive and acceptable. Powell is currently working for the City on the U.S.101/Palo Comado Canyon Road (at Chesebro) Interchange Project with excellent results thus far. In addition, they previously worked as the prime contractor on the U.S.101/Reyes Adobe Interchange Project with favorable results.

As part of the project, various utilities surrounding the project area will need to be relocated. Staff has been working with all the affected utilities, including the Las Virgenes Municipal Water District (LVMWD), in regards to this matter. Currently, LVMWD owns and maintains a 10-inch water main line, water meter, and fire hydrant that will need to be relocated in order to construct the improvements. It should be noted the costs of the utility relocations shall be the responsibility of LVMWD. At the request of LVMWD staff, this work was incorporated into the Plans, Specifications, and Estimates (PS&E) in order for the City's contractor to potentially perform the work.

On February 16, 2021, the LVMWD Board of Directors approved Powell's estimated cost of \$214,575 to perform their utility work. As a result, a Memorandum of Agreement (MOA) will be required to be executed between the City and LVMWD prior to the start of work. This Agreement will be brought to the City Council as a consent item at a future meeting.

As seen with previous road projects, complex issues may arise once construction has begun, therefore, staff is requesting that the City Manager be authorized to approve up to 13% in additional costs, instead of the normal 10%. This will help avoid any potential delays to the project. Change orders will be presented to the Public Works Subcommittee as needed. An adjustment of 13% results in a total contingency amount of \$295,790. The City's project cost of \$2,255,235 and expended change orders will be funded entirely with Highway Bridge Program (HBP) Funds, and no General funds are required.

Construction is expected to take approximately 10 to 12 months to complete with no work to be done on Holidays. Staff will utilize multiple communication outlets to keep local residents, businesses, and general commuters apprised of what is occurring during the construction phase of this project.

RECOMMENDATION

Staff respectfully recommends the City Council:

1. Award the Roadside Drive Bridge Widening Project; NIB 20-03, to Powell Constructors Inc., in the amount of \$2,469,810;
2. Authorize staff to utilize up to \$295,790 in contingency funds for the project; and
3. Authorize the Mayor to sign the contract agreement.