



CITY COUNCIL AGENDA REPORT

MEETING DATE: FEBRUARY 2, 2010

ITEM NUMBER:

SUBJECT: TRAFFIC CONGESTION RELIEF FUND (TCRF) PROJECT - CITY PROJECT NO. 09-28

DATE: JANUARY 21, 2010

FROM: PUBLIC SERVICES DEPARTMENT/ENGINEERING DIVISION

PRESENTATION BY: PETER NAGHAVI, DIRECTOR, DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC SERVICES

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RECOMMENDATION:

1. Adopt plans, specifications, and working details for Traffic Congestion Relief Fund (TCRF) Project, City Project No. 09-28.
2. Approve Budget Adjustment No. 10-018 (Attachment "1") in the amount of \$969,284.
3. Award a construction contract to Elite Bobcat Services, 1320 East 6th Street, #100, Corona, California, 92879, in the amount of \$974,567.63.
4. Authorize the Mayor and the City Clerk to execute the Public Works Agreement.

BACKGROUND:

Based on staff's observations and recommendations from the City's Pavement Management System, the following streets are in need of pavement rehabilitation at this time:

Street Name	Limits	
	From	To
Drake Avenue	Presidio Drive	Saint Clair Street
Elden Avenue	Santa Isabel Avenue	Monte Vista Avenue
Francis Lane	Magellan Street	Loreto Avenue
Governor Street	State Avenue	Placentia Avenue
Loreto Avenue	Cortez Street	Sonora Road
Magellan Street	Loreto Avenue	cul-de-sac
Portola Drive	Drake Avenue	Loreto Avenue
Salvador Street	Monterey Avenue	Lorenzo Avenue
Monterey Avenue	El Camino Drive	Salvador Street

ANALYSIS:

The pavement rehabilitation for the above listed street segments consists of milling and overlaying with new asphalt concrete, with the exception of Monterey Avenue and Elden Avenue, which are to receive a slurry seal treatment. Additional work under this contract includes localized reconstruction of damaged curb and gutter, sidewalks, driveway approaches, and construction of curb ramps; traffic control; traffic striping; and all other incidental work necessary to complete the project.

On December 23, 2009, the City Clerk received and opened eight (8) bids for this project. Elite Bobcat Service, Inc. was the apparent low bidder with a bid proposal of \$974,567.63. The Engineer's estimate was \$1,228,051.00; and the average of the eight (8) bids received for this project amounted to \$1,065.582.36.

An analysis of the bids indicates that the apparent low bidder submitted a proposal that is twenty percent (20%) lower than the Engineer's estimate. The variance between the low bidder and the Engineer's estimate may be attributed to the highly competitive conditions in the construction industry at this time. The Bid Abstract is included as Attachment "2".

The license and references of Elite Bobcat Services, Inc. were checked and staff has found them to be in good standing. Elite Bobcat Services, Inc. has successfully completed several projects in the City of Costa Mesa including most recently sidewalk improvements on Broadway and Shalimar Drive.

ALTERNATIVES CONSIDERED:

An alternative to this Council action would be to reject all the bids. If all the bids were rejected, the City would need to readvertise or cancel the project. Staff does not recommend this alternative as it would delay the project by several months and may not result in lower bids.

FISCAL REVIEW:

The City received \$969,284 from the Traffic Congestion Relief Fund (TCRF) program in FY 08-09 as partial funding for this project. These funds are available as undesignated fund balance in the Gas Tax Fund. The balance of funds necessary to complete this project is available from existing Gas Tax Fund – Citywide Street Maintenance project appropriations.

The attached Budget Adjustment No. 10-018 appropriates the TCRF and Gas Tax funds for this project.

LEGAL REVIEW:

Elite Bobcat Services, Inc. has furnished the necessary bonds and insurance, which have been approved as to form by the City Attorney. After the award and subsequent execution of the contract, a "Notice to Proceed" will be issued.

CONCLUSION:

The City has received bids for the Traffic Congestion Relief Fund (TCRF) Project, City Project No. 09-28. Staff has evaluated all of the bids and recommends that the City Council adopt the plans, specifications, and working details for said project; approve Budget Adjustment No. 10-018, in the amount of \$969,284; award the contract to the apparent low bidder Elite Bobcat Services, Inc. in the amount of \$974,567.63; and authorize the Mayor and the City Clerk to execute the Public Works Agreement.

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ATTACHMENTS: "1" [Budget Adjustment No. 10-018](#)
 "2" [Bid Abstract](#)

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