



CITY COUNCIL AGENDA REPORT

MEETING DATE: DECEMBER 3, 2013

ITEM NUMBER:

SUBJECT: DOWNTOWN COSTA MESA GATEWAY LANDSCAPE IMPROVEMENTS, FEDERAL PROJECT NO. STPE-P055 (055), CITY PROJECT NO. 13-06

DATE: NOVEMBER 21, 2013

FROM: PUBLIC SERVICES DEPARTMENT/ENGINEERING DIVISION

PRESENTATION BY: ERNESTO MUNOZ, PUBLIC SERVICES DIRECTOR

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RECOMMENDATION:

1. Adopt plans, specifications, and working details for the Downtown Costa Mesa Gateway Landscape Improvements on SR-55 Freeway, City Project No. 13-06.
2. Award a construction contract to Horizons Construction Co. Int'l, Inc., 1173 N. Patt Street, Anaheim, CA 92801 in the amount of \$554,460.00.
3. Authorize the Mayor and the City Clerk to execute the Public Works Agreement.

BACKGROUND:

In January 2008, Public Services staff was successful in securing a \$500,000 grant in Transportation Enhancement Activities (TEA) program funds for the SR-55 Gateway Improvement Project. The project will improve the streetscape at the terminus of the SR-55 freeway directly north of 19th Street by installing enhanced landscaping and irrigation, decorative median barriers, a gateway entry monument sign, and other work necessary to complete the project.

ANALYSIS:

The City Clerk received and opened four (4) bids for this project on October 28, 2013. Horizons Construction Co. Int'l, Inc. was the apparent low bidder with a base bid proposal of \$554,460.00. The Engineer's estimate was \$581,250.00; the average of the four (4) bids received for this project amounted to \$629,405.83.

An analysis of the bids indicates that the apparent low bidder submitted a proposal that is 4.6 percent (4.6%) lower than the Engineer's estimate. The Bid Abstract is included as Attachment 1.

The license and references of Horizons Construction Co. Int'l, Inc. were checked and staff found them to be in good standing.

ALTERNATIVES CONSIDERED:

The alternative to this Council action would be to reject all the bids. If all the bids were rejected, the City would then need to readvertise or cancel the project. Staff believes that readvertising the project will not result in lower bids.

FISCAL REVIEW:

Public Services staff was successful in capturing Federal Transportation Enhancement Activities (TEA) grant funding in the amount of \$500,000 towards the implementation of this project. The required match funds will be derived from available Gas Tax funds in the amount of \$135,000. The required funding is included in the Fiscal Year 2008-09 budget.

LEGAL REVIEW:

Horizons Construction Co. Int'l, Inc. will be furnishing the necessary bonds and insurance for approval as to form by the City Attorney's office. Subsequent to the execution of the contract and approval of the insurance and bonds, a "Notice to Proceed" will be issued.

CONCLUSION:

The City has received bids for the Downtown Costa Mesa Gateway Landscape Improvements on SR-55 Freeway, City Project No. 13-06. Staff evaluated all of the bids and recommends that the City Council adopt the plans, specifications, and working details for said project; award the contract to the apparent low bidder Horizons Construction Co. Int'l, Inc. in the amount of \$554,460.00; and authorize the Mayor and the City Clerk to execute the Public Works Agreement.

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ATTACHMENT: 1 – [Bid Abstract](#)

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