



CITY COUNCIL AGENDA REPORT

MEETING DATE: DECEMBER 3, 2013

ITEM NUMBER:

SUBJECT: BRENTWOOD PARK IMPROVEMENTS, CITY PROJECT NO. 13-14

DATE: NOVEMBER 21, 2013

FROM: PUBLIC SERVICES DEPARTMENT/ENGINEERING DIVISION

PRESENTATION BY: ERNESTO MUNOZ, PUBLIC SERVICES DIRECTOR

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RECOMMENDATION:

1. Reject all bids and re-advertise the project.

BACKGROUND:

The Land and Water Conservation Fund (LWCF) provides matching grants to state and local governments for recreation planning, acquisition and development. On May 16, 2012, the Public Services Department captured a \$294,250 grant for the development of the Brentwood Park Master Plan.

The scope of work for this project consists of construction of a decomposed granite trail, fitness stations, a landscaping and irrigation system, and a picnic area. Construction must be completed by December 30, 2014 to comply with all grant requirements.

ANALYSIS:

On November 12, 2013, the City Clerk received and opened six (6) bids for this project. The lowest bid was in the amount of \$649,327.75 and was 23.47% greater than the Engineer's estimate of \$525,886. The average of the six (6) bids was \$865,849. The Bid Abstract is included as Attachment 1.

The lowest bid submitted at the November 12, 2013 bid opening in the amount of \$649,327.75 exceeded the project funding allocation for the project. A review of the bid proposal by staff indicated major discrepancies in the unit costs when compared to the Engineer's estimate. A revision to the scope of work will clarify the bid items and may result in lower construction costs.

ALTERNATIVES CONSIDERED:

The alternative to this Council action would be to reject all the bids and cancel the project. If the project is canceled, the funding from the grant source will be lost. Staff believes that re-advertising the project after clarifying the requested scope of work will result in the submission of bid prices more in line with the Engineer's estimate.

FISCAL REVIEW:

Funding for this project is provided by a \$294,250 LCWF grant from the California Department of Parks and Recreation with a \$294,250 match of City Park Development Funds allocated in Fiscal Year 2012-2013.

LEGAL REVIEW:

California Public Contract Code Section 20166 allows the City, at its discretion, to reject any bids presented for a project and to re-advertise the project.

CONCLUSION:

Staff analyzed the bids received for the Brentwood Park Improvements project and determined that revisions to the construction documents will enable the City to clarify the scope of work, which will result in a reduction in the cost of the project, while still complying with the conditions set forth by the grant source.

It is recommended that the City Council reject all bids and direct staff to re-advertise the project.

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ATTACHMENT: 1 – [Bid Abstract](#)

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