



CITY OF LONG BEACH

DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS

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February 12, 2008

HONORABLE MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL City of Long Beach California

RECOMMENDATION:

Adopt Plans and Specifications No. R-6732 for the Atherton Storm Drain between Hackett Avenue and Knoxville Avenue, and authorize the City Manager to award the contract to The SJ & B Group, Inc., in an estimated amount of \$1,183,350 plus a 25 percent contingency amount, if necessary. (District 4)

DISCUSSION

The existing concrete trapezoidal open channel along Atherton Street between McNab Avenue and Knoxville Avenue shows signs of cracking in several locations and is failing at many locations where lateral pipelines enter the channel. There have been multiple accidents along Atherton Street as a result of vehicles driving into the channel. The existing open channel will be replaced with an underground drainage pipe. The existing channel will be filled with soil and landscaped. This project, between Hackett Avenue and Knoxville Avenue, is the first phase of the replacement of the entire open channel construction. It is estimated that the second phase between Hackett Avenue and McNab Avenue will follow after completion of the first phase in December 2008.

City Council's adoption of the plans and specifications and award of the contract to the lowest responsible bidder are being recommended concurrently in order to expedite implementation of this project. The project was advertised for bid on December 19, 2007, and bids were opened on January 25, 2008. Information regarding The SJ & B Group, Inc. is provided on the attached contract awards document.

This matter was reviewed by Principal Deputy J. Charles Parkin on January 31, 2008 and by Budget Management Officer Victoria Bell on January 31, 2008. In accordance with the California Environmental Quality Act, this project is categorically exempt.

TIMING CONSIDERATIONS

City Council action on this matter is requested on February 12, 2008 to authorize commencement of this Public Works project. Construction is projected to begin in March 2008 and should take approximately 120 working days.

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FISCAL IMPACT

The contract award is for an estimated amount of \$1,183,350 plus a 25 percent contingency amount of \$295,840, if necessary. Sufficient funds to cover the contract are budgeted in the Transportation Fund (SR182) in the Department of Public Work (PW). The funding source is Proposition C.

SUGGESTED ACTION:

Approve recommendation.

Respectfully submitted

MICHAEL P. CONWAY DIRECTOR OF PUBLIC WORKS

BM:RM P/CL/R-6732

Attachment

APPROVED:

PATRICK H. WEST CITY MANAGER

Recommended Contract Awards For February 12, 2008

LOWEST RESPONSIBLE **PROJECT NUMBER FUNDING SOURCE** BIDDER/ LOCATION DESCRIPTION AWARD AMOUNT R - 6732 Atherton Storm Drain Between Hackett Prop C \$ 1,183,350 Avenue and Knoxville Avenue BIDDER IS NOT AN + 25% Contingency if needed MBE/WBE/DBE There were nineteen (40) Plans and Specifications sold. Fifteen (15) bids were received, one from a MBE. Lori Conway, Deputy City Attorney, approved the Plans and Specifications on December 13, 2007.

The above is a construction project, which can be increased up to 25% above the award amount with no further City Council Actions, per the standard Specifications for Public Works Construction ("Green Book") which has been adopted by the City Council.

PROCUREMENT OUTREACH: Advertisements are placed in the Press – Telegram. In a continuing effort to increase participation of Long Beach businesses, MBEs and WBEs, bids for construction projects exceeding \$100,000 are sent, by the Public Works Department, to approximately 20 trade publications and plan rooms catering to the construction industry. Bids and Request for Proposals are available for viewing at the Purchasing Division Public Center; current bids are announced on the Public Works' bid page: http://www.PlanetBids.com/LongBeach/Bidframe.cfm.