



Council Meeting: October 18, 2011

SUBJECT: Rejection of Bid No. F1107-05 for Tasman-Fair Oaks Pedestrian and Bicycle Circulation Plan Improvements – Phase 2

BACKGROUND

Approval is requested to reject the two bids received in response to Invitation for Bids No. F1107-05 for Tasman-Fair Oaks Pedestrian and Bicycle Circulation Plan Improvements – Phase 2 (Public Works Project No. TR-10/04-11).

DISCUSSION

This project is identified in the Tasman/Fair Oaks Pedestrian and Bicycle Circulation Plan, and is located in the area bounded by Tasman Drive, Morse Avenue, Weddell Drive and Fair Oaks Avenue. The total work scope includes the following elements: 1) the construction of sidewalk along the east side of Fair Oaks and Weddell Drive from the John W. Christian Greenbelt to Tasman Drive and the Fair Oaks light rail transit station, 2) the construction of sidewalk on the west side of Morse Avenue south of Persian Drive, 3) the construction of sidewalk on the east side of Morse Avenue north of the John W. Christian Greenbelt along the frontage of the future City Park site, 4) intersection enhancements including the reduction of curb radii and the installation of high visibility crosswalks at Weddell/Fair Oaks and Tasman/Fair Oaks intersections, 5) bus stop signing, lighting and amenity improvements at five bus stops, and various monument and gateway signs.

Phase 1 of the project was completed in FY 2010/2011. The Phase 2 portion of the project includes completion of remaining sidewalks and lighting.

The project was bid as follows:

- Bid Notice: Advertised in The Sun on August 5, 2011;
 19 bay area Builder's Exchanges;
 Onvia DemandStar public procurement network; and
 published on the City's website.
- Bid Response: 15 contractors requested bid documents.
- Bid Results: Sealed bids were publicly opened on August 31, 2011.
 2 responsive bids were received.

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The apparent low bid, in the amount of \$439,087 for the base bid, was received from Wattis Construction Company of San Jose. The second low bid in the amount of \$468,364 was received from Tennyson Electric, Inc. of Livermore.

Caltrans has informed staff that approximately \$340,000 in grant fund savings from Phase 1 cannot be used for this Phase 2 work, leaving \$175,000 in available funding. In light of this determination, staff recommends rejecting the two bids received. The scope will be reduced and the project will be re-bid to utilize remaining funding. Additionally, only two bids were received. It is hoped that a new solicitation will result in more competitive bids.

FISCAL IMPACT

Approximately \$175,000 in budgeted funding is available in Capital Project 826570 for completion of Phase 2.

PUBLIC CONTACT

Public contact was made by posting the Council agenda on the City's official-notice bulletin board outside City Hall, at the Sunnyvale Senior Center, Community Center and Department of Public Safety; and by making the agenda and report available at the Sunnyvale Public Library, the Office of the City Clerk and on the City's Web site.

RECOMMENDATION

It is recommended that Council reject both bids received in response to Invitation for Bids No. F1107-05 for Tasman-Fair Oaks Pedestrian and Bicycle Circulation Plan Improvements – Phase 2.

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