

City of Culver City, California
City Council Agenda Item Report

Meeting Date: 06/09/08		Item Number: <u>A-3</u>	
AGENDA ITEM: FOUR-FIFTHS VOTE REQUIREMENT: Approval of (1) a Budget Amendment in the Amount of \$200,000 from the Playa Vista Development Fund; and (2) a Professional Services Agreement with Willdan for Engineering Design Services for the Sepulveda Boulevard Widening Project (Playa Street /Jefferson Boulevard Intersection to Green Valley Circle), P-881			
Contact Person/Dept.: Hong Wang/PW		Phone Number: 310.253.5604	
Fiscal Impact: Yes ☒ No ☐		General Fund: Yes ☒ No ☐	
Public Hearing: ☐		Action Item: ☒ Attachments: ☒	
Public Notification: Master E-Mail Notification List (06/04/08); AAE Inc, David Evans Associates, Dean Ryan, Diamond West, E. W. Moon Inc., Hunsaker Associates, KPFF, KOA, Paller-Roberts, R A. Smith National, Willdan by e-mail on (06/02/08)			
Department Approval: Charles D. Herbertson (05/29/08)		City Attorney Approval: Carol Schwab (by H. Baker) (06/02/08)	
Fiscal Impact Review: Jeff Muir (by M. Noller) (06/03/08)		City Manager Approval: Jerry B. Fulwood (06/04/08)	

RECOMMENDATION:

Staff recommends the City Council (1) approve a budget amendment in the amount of \$200,000 from the Playa Vista Development Fund; and (2) approve a professional services agreement with Willdan for engineering design services for the Sepulveda Boulevard Widening Project (Playa Street /Jefferson Boulevard intersection to Green Valley Circle), P-881, for a not-to-exceed amount of \$409,985.

A Budget Amendment requires a 4/5ths vote.

BACKGROUND:

The Sepulveda Boulevard corridor is classified as a Principal Arterial in the City. Currently, within the project limits, there are three (3) travel lanes northbound and two (2) travel lanes southbound between Playa Street/Jefferson Boulevard and Green Valley Circle. This project will provide for three (3) continuous lanes in the south bound direction without requiring additional right of way (R/W). The proposed work will include utility relocation, street widening, landscape median modification, traffic signal modification, red light enforcement camera relocation, and roadway resurfacing. The existing Southern California Edison transmission power poles will either be relocated or undergrounded to accommodate the new southbound lane. In addition, Sepulveda Boulevard from Sawtelle Boulevard to Playa Street/Jefferson Boulevard will be re-striped to add a third southbound lane during peak traffic hours within the existing street width.

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On December 11, 2006, the Council approved the payment by Playa Capital Company, LLC of \$300,000 for use by the City of Culver City for the design and construction of the Sepulveda Boulevard Widening Project as a substitute improvement for the Playa Vista Drive Bridge pursuant to the Third Amendment to Agreement between the City Of Culver City (City) and Playa Vista (Playa Capital Company, LLC).

On January 28, 2008, the City Council authorized staff to solicit proposals for the engineering design services for the Sepulveda Boulevard Widening Project (Playa Street /Jefferson Boulevard intersection to Green Valley Circle), P-881.

DISCUSSION:

The Request for Proposals were published on the City's website and mailed to several engineering firms. Proposals were due on March 6, 2008.

The following eleven (11) engineering firms responded to the proposal:

AAE Inc
David Evans Associates
Dean Ryan
Diamond West
E. W. Moon Inc.
Hunsaker Associates
KPFF
KOA
Paller-Roberts
R A. Smith National
Willdan

The Public Works Director/City Engineer, Engineering Services Manager, Senior Civil Engineer, and Traffic Engineer consultant, reviewed the proposals and subsequently conducted interviews of four short listed firms. It was unanimously determined that Willdan's proposal and interview results showed that they are the most responsive and best qualified firm to provide engineering design services on this project. Willdan has extensive design experience for street widening projects in southern California.

After the tentative selection, Staff negotiated the total design fees with Willdan. During the design process, if the existing asphalt concrete pavement surface is recommended to be replaced with Portland Cement Concrete (PCC) within the

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existing budget, the total proposed design fee is \$409,985. If the project budget can not accommodate PCC pavement, then the surface will be replaced with asphalt. In this case, the proposed design fee was negotiated to be \$362,475. There is more detailed engineering work required when designing the concrete pavement surface. Although more expensive, PCC pavement can last much longer than asphalt.

It is Staff's recommendation that the proposal from Willdan be accepted since they have demonstrated by their proposal and during the interview process that they are the most qualified proposer while also offering a price that is fair, reasonable and extremely competitive. The design will take about eight months to one year to complete depending on if an asphalt or concrete roadway surface design is utilized. Upon completion and review by the City Engineer, the design will be presented to the City Council for consideration.

Construction is tentatively scheduled in Fiscal Year 2009/2010.

FISCAL ANALYSIS:

The adopted Fiscal Year 2007/2008 CIP budget includes \$300,000 of Playa Vista Developer funds (42000881) for the design of the project. To adequately fund the not-to-exceed contract amount (including the 10% change order authority) and other project administration related cost, staff recommends that an additional \$200,000 be transferred from Playa Vista Developer Funds to P-881 (42000881). Other project administration related cost includes environmental reviews and studies, utility potholing to identify potential design conflicts, and other miscellaneous project administration related expenses. There are sufficient funds available in the Playa Vista Developer Funds.

ATTACHMENTS:

1. Copy of Willdan's proposal
2. Location map

MOTIONS:

That the City Council:

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1. Authorize a budget amendment to appropriate Playa Vista Mitigation Funds in the amount of \$200,000 to the Project and transfer \$200,000 to project expenditure line item 4200881.720100; and;
2. Approve a professional services agreement with Willdan for the for engineering and design services for the Sepulveda Boulevard Widening Project (Playa Street /Jefferson Boulevard intersection to Green Valley Circle), P-881 for a not-to-exceed fee amount of \$409,985.
3. Authorize the Public Works Director/City Engineer to approve change orders, if necessary, for an amount not-to-exceed \$40,999 (10% of \$409,985), and
- 4., Authorize the City Attorney to review/prepare the necessary documents and
5. Authorize the City Manager to execute such documents on behalf of the City.