

**City of Culver City, California
Agenda Item Report**

Meeting Date: 08/24/09		Item Number: <u>C-6</u>	
CITY COUNCIL AGENDA ITEM: Award of a Contract to Sierra Pacific Electrical as the Lowest Responsive and Responsible Bidder for the Construction of the Culver West Alexander Park Rehabilitation (Phase II) - Lighting Improvements, P-835			
Contact Person/Dept.: Hong Wang/Public Works Department		Phone Number: (310) 253-5604	
Fiscal Impact: Yes ☒ No ☐		General Fund: Yes ☒ No ☐	
Public Hearing: ☐		Action Item: ☐ Attachments: ☒	
Commission Action Required: Yes ☐ No ☒		Date: _____	
Public Notification: (E-Mail) Agendas and Meetings – City Council (08/19/09); (XXXXXX) Parks and Recreation Commission (08/19/09); (Phone) All eleven bidders (8/19/09)			
Department Approval: Charles D. Herbertson (08/13/09)		City Attorney Approval: Carol Schwab (by H. Baker) (08/19/09)	
Chief Financial Officer Approval: Jeff Muir (by N. Kimball) (08/19/09)		City Manager Approval: Mark Scott (08/19/09)	

RECOMMENDATION:

Staff recommends the City Council award a contract to Sierra Pacific Electrical as the lowest responsive and responsible bidder for the construction of the Culver West Alexander Park Rehabilitation (Phase II) - Lighting Improvements, P-835 (Project) in the amount of \$71,350.

BACKGROUND:

Phase I of the Project included a new jogging trail and landscaping; demolition and removal of an existing vacated restroom, the softball infield, and horseshoe pits; seeding and new turf in the former softball infield; enlarging the existing group picnic area; and the installation of rock climbing play equipment. The Phase I construction was completed in the Fall of 2008.

Phase II of the Project includes the removal of the obsolete sport lighting fixtures, the installation of 14-foot high walkway lights along the jogging path, 4-foot high bollard lights in the McConnell pathway, and security lights at the recreation building. LED luminaries, which have longer life expectancy and less energy consumption, have been specified throughout this project.

On April 13, 2009, the City Council approved the Phase II final plans and specifications and authorized the advertising for construction bids.

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DISCUSSION:

The Project was advertized for construction bids in the local newspaper, on the City's website, and in trade journals. Seven general contractors purchased the plans and specifications. On August 6 2009, the Deputy City Clerk publicly opened bids. Eleven contractors responded with the following bid amounts:

	Contractor	Base Bid Amounts	Alternate Bid Amounts
1	Sierra Pacific Electrical	\$71,350	\$35,483
2	California Professional Engineering	\$78,695* (\$80,195)	\$34,425
3	Electro Construction Corp.	\$94,451	\$41,610
4	Pro Tech Engineering, Corp.	\$97,400	\$68,400
5	Fluoresco Lighting-Sign	\$99,929	\$60,900
6	MS Navarro Engineering	\$106,151	\$45,109
7	Freeway Electric	\$114,114* (\$117,114)	\$53,608
8	C.T. & F.	\$123,366	\$51,540
9	Torres Construction Corp.	\$129,138	\$28,100
10	Steiny And Company, Inc.	\$131,317	\$57,525
11	Bergelectric Corporation	\$158,560	\$23,974

*: Bidder made tabulation error. The corrected total is in ().

Staff reviewed the eleven sets of contractor bid documents. All the bid documents were found to be responsive and complete. Per the project specifications, the lowest bid is determined by the lowest total base bid. Staff reviewed the bid of the apparent lowest bidder, Sierra Pacific Electrical, and found the bid documents responsive and complete. In its bid, the cost difference is \$10,465 between LED fixtures (base bid) and regular metal halide fixtures. In evaluating the bidder's responsibility, staff reviewed Sierra Pacific Electrical's bid bond, contractor's license, worker's compensation insurance, qualifications and prior lighting project experience all of which were determined to meet City requirements.

Sierra Pacific Electrical has completed similar projects for other local municipal agencies. Representatives from the City of Riverside and City of Beaumont indicated that Sierra Pacific Electrical performed in an excellent manner on their street lighting projects.

Should the City Council award the contract, the construction on the project is expected to commence in October 2009 and be completed by the end of 2009. All adjacent property owners will be notified of the dates of construction. The construction management and inspection of the project will be conducted by Public Works Department staff.

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FISCAL ANALYSIS:

A Land and Water Conservation Fund (LWCF) Grant and Los Angeles County Proposition A Excess Funds provide the majority of the funding for the Culver West Alexander Park Rehabilitation Project. A summary of the project budget and estimated expenditures are included in the following tables:

Current Project Budget P-835	
Available Funding	Amount
42300835 – Grants Capital	\$ 76,757
42000835 – Capital Improvements & Acquisitions (General Fund)	\$513
41900835 – Park Facilities (New Development Impact Funds)	\$2,430
Total =	\$ 79,700

Estimated Project Expenses	
Construction	\$71,350
Contingency (10%), if necessary	\$ 7,135
Construction Management and Inspection by staff	\$0
Total =	\$78,485

ATTACHMENTS:

1. Location Map

MOTIONS:

That the City Council:

1. Award a contract to Sierra Pacific Electrical as the lowest responsive and responsible bidder for the Culver West Alexander Park Rehabilitation (Phase II) - Lighting Improvements, P-835, in the amount of \$71,350, based on its base bid; and,
2. Authorize the Public Works Director/City Engineer to approve change orders in an amount not-to-exceed \$7,135, if necessary; and,
3. Authorize the City Attorney to review/prepare the necessary documents; and,
4. Authorize the City Manager to execute such documents on behalf of the City.