

**City of Culver City, California
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Meeting Date: 09/26/2011		Item Number: <u>C-6</u>	
CITY COUNCIL AGENDA ITEM: Award of a Contract to Steiny and Company, Inc., as the Lowest Responsive and Responsible Bidder, for the Construction of Washington Boulevard/Boise Avenue Pedestrian Crossing Signal, P-934 (CDBG #REC092-10)			
Contact Person/Dept.: Sammy Romo/PW		Phone Number: 310-253-5619	
Fiscal Impact: Yes ☒ No ☐		General Fund: Yes ☐ No ☒	
Public Hearing: ☐		Action Item: ☐ Attachments: ☐	
Commission Action Required: Yes ☐ No ☒		Date: _____	
Public Notification: (E-Mail) Meetings and Agendas – City Council (09/21/11); (E-Mail) – Steiny and Company, Inc., V.T. Electric, Inc., Sully-Miller Contracting Co., C.T. & F., California Professional Engineering, Inc., Freeway Electric, Inc. (09/22/11)			
Department Approval: Charles D. Herbertson (09/15/11)		City Attorney Approval: Carol Schwab (by H. Baker) (09/20/11)	
Chief Financial Officer Approval: Jeff Muir (by K. Marsden) (09/20/11)		City Manager Approval: John M. Nachbar (09/20/11)	
<u>RECOMMENDATION:</u> Staff recommends the City Council award a contract to Steiny and Company, Inc. as the lowest responsive and responsible bidder, in an amount not to exceed <u>\$156,753</u> for the construction of Washington Boulevard/Boise Avenue Pedestrian Crossing Signal, P-934 (CDBG #REC092-10). <u>BACKGROUND:</u> The City Council adopted Capital Improvement Plan includes the construction of a new pedestrian traffic signal at the intersection of Washington Boulevard and Boise Avenue. This project is funded with Federal Community Development Block Grant Funds, Redevelopment Agency funds, and State Gas Tax funds. The length between the signalized intersections of Washington Boulevard/Zanja Street and Washington Boulevard/Centinela Avenue is approximately 1,800 feet. This proposed pedestrian signal will nearly bisect this length and will create a shorter distance between signalized crossings along this section of Washington Boulevard. The long walking distance between the existing signalized intersections, coupled with the recent development in the area, increase the need for the proposed pedestrian crossing signal at the intersection. Under the general on-call traffic engineering services contract with the City, Infrastructure Engineers, formerly known as AAE, Inc., completed the design of the plans and specifications for the Project. The design includes two overhead signals with 2 flashing yellow lights in each direction of travel along Washington Boulevard.			

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These flashing yellow lights can be activated by pedestrians through a push button on either side of Washington Boulevard. When the signal is not in operation it will remain dark.

DISCUSSION:

On August 8, 2011, the City Council approved the final plans and specifications and authorized the advertising of construction bids for this project.

On September 8, 2011, the City Clerk's Office publicly opened the bids. Six contractors responded with the following bid amounts:

	<u>CONTRACTOR</u>	<u>BID AMOUNTS</u>
1	Steiny and Company	\$156,753
2	Freeway Electric, Inc.	\$157,010
3	C.T. & F., Inc.	\$177,490
4	V. T. Electric, Inc.	\$177,564
5	California Professional Engineers	\$198,850
6	Sully-Miller Contracting	\$216,662

Staff reviewed the six sets of contractor bid documents and determined Steiny and Company submitted the lowest total base bid. Staff reviewed the bid proposal from Steiny and Company and found the bid documents responsive and complete. Its bid bond, contractor's license, and worker's compensation insurance were reviewed and determined to meet City requirements. Steiny and Company has completed several similar projects for the City of Culver City such as the recent new Washington Boulevard and McLaughlin Street traffic signal project with satisfactory performance. Staff recommends awarding the construction contract to Steiny and Company as the lowest responsive and responsible bidder, for the construction of the Washington Boulevard/Boise Avenue Pedestrian Crossing Signal, P-934.

The construction management of the Project will be conducted by Engineering Division staff. Inspection services will be procured through competitive Request for Proposal (RFP) process, to be selected from a list of firms pre-approved by the City Council. After the RFP's are received, staff will review and select the consultant. The costs for inspection services are expected to be approximately \$10,000.

If the City Council awards the construction contract, the construction is scheduled to begin in October 2011 and is expected to be completed by February 2012.

Public Notification

Approximately two weeks prior to construction activity, the adjacent businesses and residences will be provided with written information on the project schedule and contact information for questions and/or concerns regarding the project.

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FISCAL ANALYSIS:

Proposed Project Budget	
Funding Source	Amount
P-934 CDBG-R (42800934)	\$42,853
P-940 Gas Tax (41800940)	\$75,000
Redevelopment Funds (48695100)	\$57,000
P-909 Gas Tax (41800909)	\$11,000
Total =	\$185,853

Estimated Project Expenses	
Construction, Washington/Boise Pedestrian Crossing Signal, P-934	\$156,753
Construction Inspection Services	\$12,000
Subtotal	\$166,753
10% project contingency	\$16,675
Total Estimated Project Expenses	\$185,428

If the City Council approves the construction contract award, staff will administratively transfer the remaining unspent funds of \$11,000 from P-909 Washington Bl./McLaughlin St. traffic signal project, to this project.

MOTIONS:

That the City Council:

- 1) Award a contract to Steiny and Company, as the lowest responsive and responsible bidder, for the Washington Boulevard/Boise Avenue Pedestrian Crossing Signal Project, P-934, in the amount not to exceed \$156,753, based on its base bid;
- 2) Authorize the Public Works Director/City Engineer to approve change orders in the amount not-to-exceed \$16,675, 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.