

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

Meeting Date: 06/11/2012		Item Number: <u>C-5</u>	
CITY COUNCIL AGENDA ITEM: Award of a Construction Contract to Griffith Company, as the Lowest Responsive and Responsible Bidder, for the Construction of the Jefferson Boulevard Pedestrian and Bicycle Access Improvements Project at Hetzler Road, P-956			
Contact Person/Dept.: Hong Wang/PW		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) Agenda and Meetings – City Council (06/08/12); (Email) Griffith Company and all other bidders (06/06/12)			
Department Approval: Charles D. Herbertson (6/04/12)		City Attorney Approval: Carol Schwab (by H. Baker) (06/06/12)	
Chief Financial Officer Approval: Jeff Muir (by K. Marsden) (06/07/12)		City Manager Approval: John M. Nachbar (06/07/12)	

RECOMMENDATION:

Staff recommends that the City Council award a construction contract to Griffith Company, as the lowest responsive and responsible bidder, for the construction of Jefferson Boulevard Pedestrian and Bicycle Access Improvements Project at Hetzler Road, P-956.

BACKGROUND:

In June 2011, the City was awarded a grant by the Baldwin Hills Conservancy utilizing Proposition 84 funds for the Jefferson Boulevard Pedestrian and Bicycle Access Improvements Project (Project). The Project includes the following improvements: a new traffic signal, high visibility crosswalks, and curb extensions/bulb-outs at the Jefferson Boulevard and Hetzler Road intersection; raised landscaped median islands and new sidewalks along Jefferson Boulevard near its intersection with Hetzler Road, and improvements to a 10-space parking lot, which is owned and to be maintained by California State Parks on Jefferson Boulevard west of Hetzler Road. The Project also includes the restriping of Jefferson Boulevard between Duquesne Avenue and Holdrege Avenue to include bicycle lanes.

The bicycle lanes were originally proposed to extend from Duquesne Avenue to Higuera Street rather than to Holdrege Avenue. Staff was unable to secure an agreement with the City of Los Angeles on the design of the segment of bike lanes between Holdrege Avenue and Higuera Street and thus is proposing removing that segment from the project.

On May 7, 2012, the City Council approved the final plans and specifications for this project and authorized advertising for construction bids.

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DISCUSSION:

On May 31, 2012, the City Clerk's Office publicly opened the bids. Seven (7) contractors responded with the following bid amounts:

	<u>CONTRACTOR</u>	<u>BID AMOUNTS</u>
1	Griffith Company	\$532,444
2	Nobest Inc.	\$572,001
3	Sully-Miller Contracting Co.	\$575,490
4	YAKER	\$583,101
5	STL Landscape Inc.	\$584,754
6	MG Enterprise Inc.	\$636,730
7	Palp dba Excel Paving	\$649,432

Staff reviewed the bid proposal of the apparent lowest bidder, Griffith Company, and found the bid documents responsive and complete. Its bid bond, contractor's license, qualifications, and worker's compensation insurance were reviewed and determined to meet City requirements. Representatives from the City of Chino Hills, City of Palm Springs, and Port of Los Angeles indicated that Griffith Company performed in an excellent manner on their construction projects.

Through a competitive request for proposal process, a construction inspection service provider will be selected from the City's approved on-call engineering firms. Should the City Council award the contract this evening, the project is scheduled to begin in July 2012 and expected to be completed in October/November 2012.

FISCAL ANALYSIS:

Project Budget	
Funding Source	Amount
State Prop 84 Grant (42300956)*	\$566,403
Community Development Impact fund (41700933)	\$175,000
Total	\$741,403

Estimated Project Expenses	
Engineering Design & Permit Fees	\$63,285
Construction Contract (Griffith Company)	\$532,444
15% Contingency	\$80,174
Construction Management and Inspection Services	\$65,500
Total Estimated Expenditure	\$741,403

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*The grant has been finalized, but the funding of \$566,403 has not been appropriated. The grant appropriation is in the Proposed Budget and once the budget is adopted, the funding will be available on July 1st.

MOTIONS:

That the City Council:

1. Award a construction contract to Griffith Company, as the lowest responsive and responsible bidder, in the amount of \$532,444 for the Jefferson Boulevard Pedestrian and Bicycle Access Improvements Project at Hetzler Road, P-956; and,
2. Authorize the Public Works Director/City Engineer to approve change orders as necessary, for a not-to-exceed amount of \$80,174; 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.