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Staff Report

City of Manhattan Beach

TO: Honorable Mayor Aldinger and Members of the City Council

THROUGH: Geoff Dolan, City Manager

FROM: Jim Arndt, Director of Public Works
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DATE: April 15, 2008

SUBJECT: Rejection of Bids for the City Yard Bulk Material Storage Area Cover Project; and Authorize Re-Advertisement for Bids

RECOMMENDATION:

Staff recommends that the City Council pass a motion to:

- a) Reject all bids received on April 2, 2008 for the City Yard Bulk Material Storage Area Cover Project.
- b) Authorize staff to re-advertise the project with a modified project scope.

FISCAL IMPLICATION:

There is presently \$275,000 within the current fiscal year Capital Improvement Program budget for this project. Staff anticipates that even with the modified project scope, a supplemental appropriation would be needed at the time of award.

DISCUSSION:

Background

Included in the City's Capital Improvement Program is the City Yard Bulk Material Storage Area Cover Project. This project primarily involves the construction of a roof coverage system over the upper portion of the Public Works maintenance yard. This area mainly functions as a storage facility for construction and landscaping bulk material stockpiles which are utilized for various, daily City maintenance projects or for emergency repair operations. In addition, this area serves as a temporary storage facility for the transfer of solid waste collected from street sweeping, catch basin and/or Continuous Deflective Separation (CDS) unit cleaning; as well as, recycling bulk construction demolition materials. The upper storage area is divided by masonry block wall partitions on the north and west sides. Two separate roof covers will be erected over these existing bin areas only. Once completed, the roof covers will help prevent the bulk materials from polluting the storm water runoff for this site. This project qualifies as another stormwater, pollution

prevention Best Management Practice (BMP), in addition to those already in place at the Public Service Facility.

This project also incorporates a new sewer line which will collect a minimal amount of water that is routinely captured along with the collected solids from catch basins, CDS units and street sweeping. The new sewer line will then convey the nuisance water into the City's existing sewer system; subsequently, reducing the amount of standing water at the site. Other aspects of the project comprise the removal and replacement of broken and/or ineffective masonry block wall partitions and the reconstruction of the entire, deteriorated (40+ year old) pavement area.

A community meeting for the subject project was held at the Public Works training/meeting room in December 2007. While approximately 100 notices were mailed out to residents within a 500 foot radius, only two (2) residents attended the meeting. The chief concerns from the two residents present at the community meeting involved minor maintenance and operational issues. However, the residents were also informed that the roof cover would also serve as a visual buffer for residents located immediately adjacent to the site.

Bid Proposals

This project was advertised for bids in five construction industry publications. Subsequently, 34 sets of plans and specifications were provided to contractors, subcontractors and material suppliers. A total of seven competitive bids were received and opened on April 2, 2008. The bids ranged from the low bid of \$448,000 to the highest bid of \$736,700.

Since the average bid amount exceeds the budget, staff investigated the possibility of eliminating individual line items from all bid proposals, but by doing so would create a change in the apparent low bidder. Therefore, in the best interest of the City, staff is recommending rejecting all bids, reducing the project scope (eliminating some of the concrete paving) and re-advertising the project in accordance with Section 20166 of the State of California Public Contract Code.

Attachment: Project Location Map

City of Manhattan Beach
City Yard - Bulk Material
Storage Area Cover Project

