



Staff Report

City of Manhattan Beach

TO: Honorable Mayor Montgomery and Members of the City Council

THROUGH: Geoff Dolan, City Manager

FROM: Jim Arndt, Director of Public Works
Dana Greenwood, City Engineer
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DATE: July 1, 2008

SUBJECT: Award a Contract (\$306,440) for the 2008 Slurry Seal Project to American Asphalt South, Inc. and Approve a Supplemental Appropriation of \$81,500 from Gas Tax Reserves

RECOMMENDATION:

Staff recommends that the City Council pass a motion to:

- a) Award a contract for the 2008 Slurry Seal Project to American Asphalt South, Inc. in the net amount of \$306,440.
- b) Approve a supplemental appropriation of \$81,500 from Gas Tax Reserves.

FISCAL IMPLICATION:

There is \$225,000 budgeted in the 2008 Capital Improvement Program Gas Tax funds for this project. Staff is therefore recommending approval of a supplemental appropriation of \$81,500 from Gas Tax Reserves to fully fund construction of this project. Gas Tax Reserve funds are available because of cost savings realized on the recently completed 2005-2007 Street Reconstruction Project.

BACKGROUND:

The City of Manhattan Beach utilizes a procedure known as slurry sealing for the periodic rejuvenation of the City's asphalt concrete roadway surfaces and parking lots. The slurry is a mixture composed of fine aggregates, emulsified asphalt and water. The slurry fills in surface cracks, provides a new wearing surface, improves skid resistance and enhances the appearance of the street. It also prevents the intrusion of water into the pavement's sub-base and increases the life of the pavement. The slurry seal process is applied in liquid form, usually during a one-day operation with minimal inconvenience to the residents of the particular street.

DISCUSSION:

The areas to be slurry sealed in the 2008 project are the section of the City's streets bounded by Manhattan Beach Boulevard on the north, Artesia Boulevard on the south, Peck Avenue to the west, and Aviation Boulevard to the east (Area 3 on attached map).

Environmental Review

In accordance with the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) of 1970, this project is Categorically Exempt (Section 15301, Class 1(b)). A Notice of Exemption has been filed with the County Clerk's office.

Bid Proposals

This project was advertised for bids in five construction industry publications. Subsequently, plans and specifications were provided to 23 contractors, subcontractors and material suppliers. A total of four competitive bids were received and opened on June 18, 2008. The bids ranged from the low bid of \$306,440 by American Asphalt South, Inc. to the highest bid of \$360,703. American Asphalt South, Inc.'s bid was reviewed by the Public Works Department and found to be responsive and in conformance with prevailing construction prices.

Representatives of cities where work has been performed by American Asphalt South, Inc. have indicated that the construction work performed was to their satisfaction. In addition, American Asphalt South, Inc. has completed projects for the City in the past, most recently both the 2007 and 2006 Slurry Seal Projects. The project was discussed with a representative of the firm and he expressed confidence in his bid and a desire to perform the work.

Attachment: GIS Map

xc: Henry Mitzner, Controller
Juan Price, Maintenance Superintendent

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Slurry Seal Area

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