



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
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DATE: November 5, 2008

SUBJECT: Approval of Contract Agreement with Willdan Engineering for Design Services for the Peck Avenue Improvement Project, not to exceed \$38,180.00

RECOMMENDATION:

Staff recommends that City Council approve a contract agreement with Willdan Engineering to provide design services for the Peck Avenue Improvement Project in an amount not to exceed \$38,180.00.

FISCAL IMPLICATION:

There are \$588,000 in fiscal year 2008-09 Proposition 1B Funds and \$220,000 in fiscal year 2009-10 Gas Tax Funds available for this project (for a total of \$808,000). The total cost for consultant design services shall not exceed \$38,180.00, leaving \$769,820.00 available for project costs.

DISCUSSION:

Background

At its regularly-scheduled meeting of February 5, 2008 City Council passed a motion authorizing the City Manager to enter into professional services agreements with Willdan, Psomas, AAE, Inc., DGA Consultants, and RKA Consulting Group to provide as-needed engineering design services. These as-needed engineering design services would utilize previously budgeted funds from each project's account. Once a project was identified and the budget for the project approved by City Council, staff would forward copies of the project concept to two of the consultants on the list. The consultants would then develop a scope of services anticipated to complete the design phase of the project. Based on the hourly rates established in the master agreements, the consultants would also be able to propose a not-to-exceed fee. Staff would select one of the consultants based on the experience of the individual team members and the level of effort proposed, then recommend to City Council the selected consultant on an as-needed hourly basis with a not-to-exceed fee.

Scope of Work

The Peck Avenue Improvement Project includes grinding the existing A.C. surface and replacing it

with new A.C. overlay. It is anticipated that some curb and gutter will need to be removed and replaced including removal of some sections of the street where tree roots have displaced the contour of the pavement. The limits of construction on Peck Avenue are from Manhattan Beach Boulevard to Artesia Boulevard.

Consultant Recommendation

Based upon their comprehensive approach, the project team assembled, and their significant experience with similar street improvement projects, staff is recommending Willdan Engineering for the engineering design services contract for the project. Staff has spoken with Willdan Engineering and is confident that they understand the project and are capable of completing the scope of work for the fee proposed.

Staff expects that the plans and specifications will be completed and ready for bidding by February 2009. A construction contract could then be awarded in April 2009, with the work starting in May 2009 and completed in August 2009.

xc: Henry Mitzner, Controller
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