



REJECTION OF BID PROTEST; CONTRACT AWARD - FULTON RD FROM GUERNEVILLE RD TO PINER RD - WIDEN TO FOUR LANES

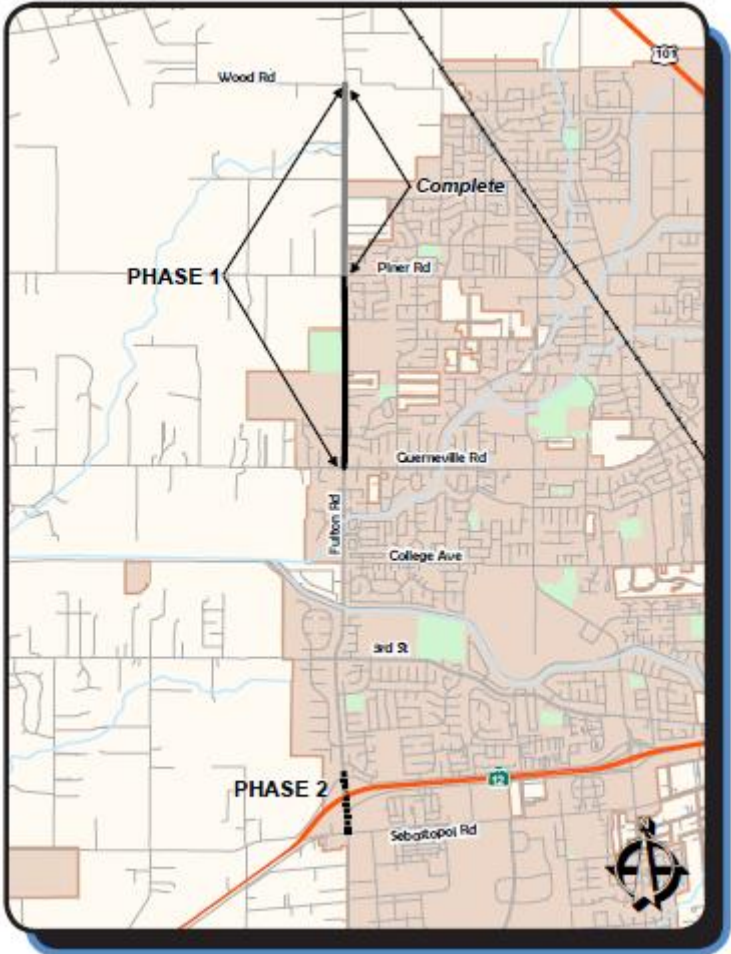
City Council Meeting
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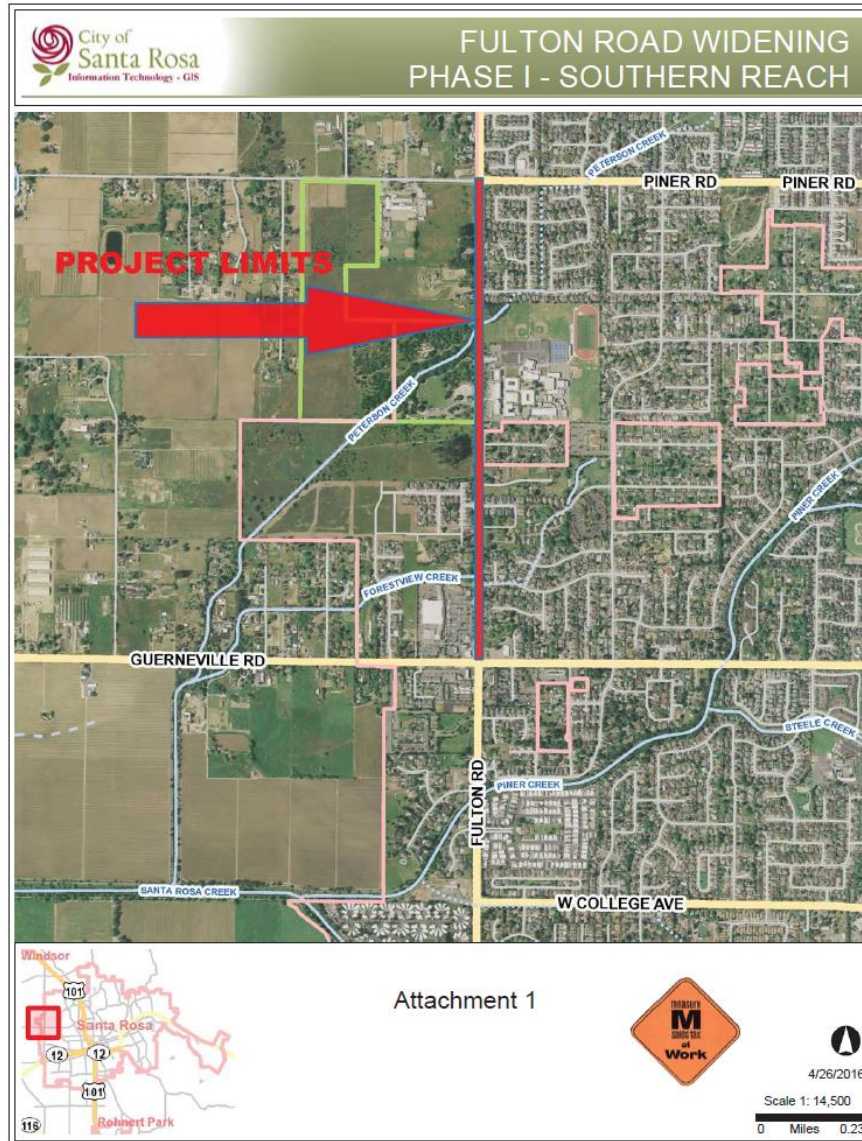
BACKGROUND

- Four-lane regional/ arterial road envisioned in the 2035 Santa Rosa General Plan.
- Widening road, new vehicle travel lanes, bicycle lanes, widened sidewalks, bus stops, stormwater treatment facilities, landscaping, traffic signals, utility relocations, installation of retaining walls, and easements acquisitions.

BACKGROUND



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ANALYSIS

- Project advertised on February 2, 2022.
- Bids were received on March 8, 2022.
- Five (5) bids were received, ranging from \$15,578,565.00 to \$19,823,672.80.
- Lowest bid is 9.56% over the Engineer's estimate.
- Ghilotti Bros, Inc. / FBD Vanguard Construction, Inc. was judged responsive by City Staff.
- Protest received March 11, 2022, by Argonaut Constructors, Inc.

ANALYSIS

- Protest contended Ghilotti Bros, Inc / FBD Vanguard Construction, Inc.'s bid contained an irregularity while deeming them to be non-responsive.
- City Staff & City Attorney's Office reviewed bid documents and concluded:
 - Lowest bid contained a minor irregularity.
 - No competitive advantage demonstrated.
 - Irregularity being minor, it may be waived.

ANALYSIS

- Construction is anticipated to begin in May 2022
- The length of the contract is 400 working days.

OPTIONS FOR COUNCIL CONSIDERATION

1. Waive the minor irregularity, and award the contract to Ghilotti Bros, Inc. / FBD Vanguard Construction, Inc.
2. Award the contract Argonaut Constructors Inc.
3. Reject all bids and re-advertise the Project.

RECOMMENDATION

- It is recommended by the Transportation and Public Works Department that the Council, by resolution, 1) reject the bid protest by Argonaut Constructors, Inc., 2) waive any minor irregularities in the lowest bid, 3) award Contract No. C01178, Fulton Road from Guerneville Road to Piner Road - Widen to Four Lanes, in the amount of \$15,578,565.00 to the lowest responsible bidder, Ghilotti Bros, Inc. / FBD Vanguard Construction, Inc., of San Rafael, CA, and 4) approve a 10% contract contingency, and authorize a total contract amount of \$17,136,421.50.
- Questions?