

CITY OF SANTA ROSA
CITY COUNCIL

TO: MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL
FROM: GRANT BAILEY, ASSOCIATE CIVIL ENGINEER
TRANSPORTATION AND PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT
SUBJECT: REJECT ALL BIDS – PAVEMENT PREVENTIVE MAINTENANCE
2019

AGENDA ACTION: RESOLUTION

RECOMMENDATION

It is recommended by the Transportation and Public Works Department that the Council, by resolution, reject all bids received for Construction Contract No. C02252 Pavement Preventive Maintenance 2019.

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

This resolution will reject all bids submitted for the Pavement Preventive Maintenance 2019 project per City Code § 3-44.100. The recommendation to reject all bids is necessary because the lowest bid received was 41.7% over the engineer's estimate, which exceeds the available project funding.

BACKGROUND

This project is an annual pavement preventive maintenance project. Typically, construction activities would include asphalt patching and slurry sealing roadway surfaces. Slurry seal treatment consists of applying a thin coat of asphalt emulsion and aggregate over existing streets to restore the surface and extend the life of the pavement. Priorities are established by the Pavement Management System and analysis of existing street sections.

Slurry seal requires a specialty contractor to perform application which narrows the number of eligible contractors that can carry out the contract work. Staff contacted the low bid contractor and found the higher-than-expected bid prices were a result of a saturated construction market and the project being bid late in the year. Transportation and Public Works plans to rebid this project in early 2020 with the expectation of receiving more competitive bids.

PRIOR CITY COUNCIL REVIEW

Not applicable

ANALYSIS

1. The project was advertised on May 2, 2019, and bids were received on May 21, 2019. A total of two (2) bids were received, ranging from \$560,047.00 to \$614,600.90. The low bid was 41.7% over the Engineer's estimate of \$395,134.04.
2. Accepting the low bid and proceeding with this project would require additional funding.
3. The City's Materials Engineering Laboratory reports that the streets slated for the Pavement Preventive Maintenance 2019 project are currently in a condition that allows preventive maintenance activities to be delayed for up to year without significant degradation of the roadway surface.
4. Rejection of all bids will allow the Transportation and Public Works Department to re-bid the project next spring or combine with other projects with the expectation of soliciting more competitive bids.

FISCAL IMPACT

This action will have no impact on the General Fund.

ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT

This action is exempt from the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) because it is not a project which has a potential for resulting in either a direct physical change in the environment, or a reasonably foreseeable indirect physical change in the environment, pursuant to CEQA Guideline section 15378.

BOARD/COMMISSION/COMMITTEE REVIEW AND RECOMMENDATIONS

Not applicable

NOTIFICATION

Not applicable

ATTACHMENTS

- Attachment 1 – Project Map
- Attachment 2 – Summary of Bids
- Resolution

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