

Memorandum

TO: HONORABLE MAYOR AND
CITY COUNCIL

FROM: James R. Helmer

**SUBJECT: SUPPLEMENTAL MEMO FOR
CURB RAMPS IN LOW TO
MODERATE INCOME AREAS**

DATE: 3-19-08

Approved



Date

3/20/08

COUNCIL DISTRICT: 3 & 5

SNI AREA: East Valley 680, Mayfair,
Delmas Park,
Spartan/Keys & Five
Wounds/Brookwood
Terrace

REASON FOR SUPPLEMENTAL MEMO

To provide additional information following receipt and evaluation of bids for the Curb Ramps in Low-to-Moderate Income Areas Project.

RECOMMENDATION

Accept staff's report on bids and award of the contract for the 2007-2008 Curb Ramp Improvements in Low-to-Moderate Income Areas Project (Project) to the lowest responsive bidder, JJR Construction in the amount of \$474,533, and approval of a ten percent (10%) contingency in the amount of \$47,453, for a total contract amount of \$521,986.

OUTCOME

Accepting staff's report and awarding the above contract will allow the City to meet a project completion date required by the conditions of the Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) which is funding this Project. The Project will install approximately 150 sidewalk accessibility curb ramps in Low-to-Moderate Income Areas (a Community Development Block Grant project). Installation of accessibility curb ramps will provide the community with safer and more convenient routes for walking. The recommended action supports the Transportation and Aviation Services City Service Area goals to *Provide a Transportation System that Enhances Community Livability*.

BACKGROUND

The Department of Transportation (DOT), working with community leaders, the San José Redevelopment Agency, and the Housing Department, obtained CDBG funds for sidewalk accessibility improvements in Low-to-Moderate Income Areas of the City. These funds will be used to install approximately 150 accessibility curb ramps in the East Valley/680, Mayfair, Delmas Park, Spartan/Keys & Five Wounds/Brookwood Terrace SNI areas. All new accessibility ramp locations are within low-to-moderate income areas and were selected by the Redevelopment Agency based on previous requests made to DOT and the priorities of the neighborhoods.

ANALYSIS

The plans and specification for the Project were made available and the Project was published on February 13, 2008. On February 26, 2008, Addendum No. 1 was issued and included additional federal regulations and reporting forms to be filled out by the contractor upon completion of the Project related to the contractor's hiring practices for the Project. The forms are to be used by the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development to report annual accomplishments regarding employment and other economic opportunities provided to low- and very low-income persons under Section 3 of the Housing and Urban Development Act of 1968. Compliance with these items is necessary to meet the CDBG requirements of the Project and all bid proposals were required to include a signed copy of the addendum. Bids for this Project were received on March 6, 2008 with the following results:

Contractor	City	Total Bid	Variance Amount	Over/(Under) Percent
SpnCon Construction	Foster City, Ca.	\$643,721.00	\$145,488.00	23%
Wattis Construction	San Jose, Ca.	\$619,546.00	\$120,994.00	20%
Rodan Builders	Belmont, Ca.	\$617,236.00	\$118,684.00	19%
Golden Bay Construction	Hayward, Ca.	\$602,324.50	\$103,772.50	17%
Sposeto Engineering	Union City, Ca.	\$538,465.80	\$39,913.80	7%
Vanguard Construction	Livermore, Ca.	\$531,400.30	\$32,848.30	6%
Engineer's Estimate		\$498,552.00	---	---
Alaniz Construction *	Livermore, Ca.	\$477,734.00	\$20,818.00	(4)%
JJR Construction	San Mateo, Ca.	\$474,533.00	\$24,019.00	(5)%
Suarez & Munoz *	Union City, Ca.	\$446,404.50	\$52,148.00	(12)%

* *No Addendum submitted*

The bid documents were evaluated and the apparent low bid by Suarez & Munoz Construction did not contain a signed Addendum No. 1, as required by the City's proposal requirements and conditions. The Suarez & Munoz representative acknowledged that the company did receive the addendum and the required forms the Addendum referred to, but did not include a signed addendum in their bid package. After consulting with the City Attorney's Office, it was concluded that returning a signed Addendum No. 1 was a material requirement of the bid process for the Project because filling out the forms was a condition of the City's receiving the CDBG. Therefore, Suarez and Munoz Construction's failure to return a signed Addendum No. 1 made their bid non-responsive. The lowest responsive bid then belonged to JJR Construction and is 5% below the Engineer's Estimate. The Engineer's Estimate for this project is \$498,552.

A 10% contingency of \$47,453 is requested for any unforeseen conditions that may arise during construction, such as additional sidewalk or curb and gutter repairs that are needed to ensure safe access or proper storm water flow. The project is on schedule and expected for completion by June 30, 2008.

COST SUMMARY/IMPLICATIONS

This is the revised cost summary based on the March 6, 2008 bid results:

1. AMOUNT OF RECOMMENDATION:

Project Delivery	\$50,000
Construction Contract	\$474,533
Contingency	<u>\$47,453</u>
TOTAL PROJECT COSTS:	\$571,986

2. COST ELEMENTS OF CONSTRUCTION CONTRACTS

Adjust Storm Inlet Grate and Frame to Grade	\$500
Modified Catch Basin (single)	\$2,000
Modified Catch Basin (double)	\$60,000
Asphalt Concrete Removal and Replacement	\$29,547
Remove and Replace PCC Curb and Gutter	\$45,638
Remove and Replace PCC Sidewalk	\$10,784
PCC Wheelchair Ramp (R-10)	\$29,900
PCC Wheelchair Ramp (R-11)	\$230,000
(Modified) PCC Wheelchair Ramp	\$47,664
(Modified) Detectable Warning Installation for Modified Ramp	<u>\$18,500</u>
TOTAL CONSTRUCTION CONTRACT COSTS:	\$474,533

3. SOURCE OF FUNDING:
 - 441 – Community Development Block Grant Fund
 - 465 – Construction Excise Tax Fund

4. FISCAL IMPACT: This project will have no operating and maintenance impact.

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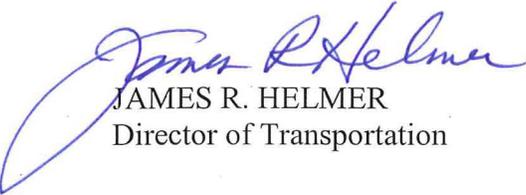
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COORDINATION

This supplemental memorandum was coordinated with the City Attorney's Office.



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