



Memorandum

TO: HONORABLE MAYOR AND
CITY COUNCIL

FROM: Katy Allen
James R. Helmer

**SUBJECT: BERRYESSA ROAD
IMPROVEMENT PROJECT**

DATE: 05-05-04

Approved

Date

Council District: 4

RECOMMENDATION

Report on bids and award of contract for the Berryessa Road Improvement Project to the low bidder, O.C. Jones & Sons, Inc., in the amount of \$747,948.50, and approval of a contingency in the amount of \$38,000.

CEQA: Exempt, PP 04-01-022.

BACKGROUND

Berryessa Road is an east-west four to six lanes arterial street that maintains significant pedestrian, bicycle and vehicular traffic volumes. The segment of Berryessa Road between Highway 101 and Coyote Creek has several areas that require full street frontage improvements. These areas do not meet minimum roadway standards. Upon completion of the proposed improvements, Berryessa Road will have a continuous pedestrian access along this segment.

The scope of work for this project includes the construction of concrete curb and gutter, sidewalk, driveway, wheelchair ramps, bicycle lane, storm inlet, landscaped median islands and street lights as well as the repair of distressed pavement areas and resurfacing of this segment of Berryessa Road between Coyote Creek and Highway 101 (map attached). In addition, this project includes the construction of temporary asphalt concrete sidewalk where ultimate right-of-way is not available along one parcel on the northwest side of Berryessa Road, west of Commercial Street. Staff did not pursue acquisition of the necessary right-of-way on this parcel because the cost is prohibitive since the City would have to acquire the whole parcel rather than just the needed right-of-way. Ultimate right-of-way improvements would be a condition of future development of this parcel.

Construction is scheduled to begin in July with completion in December 2004.

ANALYSIS

Bids were opened on April 15, 2004 with the following results:

<u>Contractor</u>	<u>Bid Amount</u>	<u>Over/ (Under) Variance Amount</u>	<u>Over/(Under) Percent</u>
Granite Rock Co. DBA Pavex Const. (Redwood City)	\$944,845.00	\$ 51,835.00	6
Engineer's Estimate	893,010.00	-	-
Grade Tech, Inc. (San Ramon)	841,730.00	(51,280.00)	(6)
Redgwick Construction Company (Hayward)	816,435.00	(76,575.00)	(9)
Golden Bay Construction, Inc. (San Carlos)	785,992.00	(107,018.00)	(12)
O. C. Jones & Sons, Inc. (Berkeley)	\$747,948.50	(\$145,061.15)	(16)

The low bid submitted by O.C. Jones & Sons, Inc. is 16 percent under the Engineer's Estimate. Staff considers this bid a very reasonable price for the work involved. The variance can be attributed to the competitive bidding climate at this time of the year and in the context of the general state of the local economy.

Council Policy provides for a standard contingency of five percent on public works street projects. The standard contingency is appropriate for this project.

PUBLIC OUTREACH

To solicit contractors, this project was listed on the City's Internet Bid Line and advertised in the *San José Post Record*. Bid packages for all Department of Public Works construction projects are routinely provided to various contractor organization and builder's exchanges.

COORDINATION

This project and memorandum have been coordinated with the City Attorney's Office, City Manager's Budget Office, Departments of Planning Building and Code Enforcement and Finance.

COST IMPLICATIONS

1. AMOUNT OF RECOMMENDATION: \$747,948.50

2. COST OF PROJECT:

Project Delivery	\$ 390,000.00
Construction	747,948.50
Contingency	38,000.00
TOTAL	\$1,175,948.50

3. SOURCE OF FUNDING: 429 - Building & Structure Construction Tax Fund

4. FISCAL IMPACT: This project is consistent with the Council-approved Budget Strategy Economic Recovery section in that it will spur construction spending in our local economy. This project will have no impact on the General Fund-operating budget.

BUDGET REFERENCE

Fund #	Appn. #	Appn. Name	RC #	Total Appn.	Amount for Contract	2003-04 Adopted Budget Page	Last Budget Action (Date, Ord.No.)
429	4699	Berryessa Road: 101 to Coyote Creek	129340	\$2,960,000.00	\$747,948.50	808	10/14/03, Ord. No. 26997

CEQA

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