



## Council Agenda Report

From: Ditas Esperanza, Capital Projects Engineer

Subject: Approval of Award Construction Contract for Water and Sewer Upgrades Located on 17<sup>th</sup> Street - Chestnut to Spring Street

CEQA Determination: The City finds that this action is categorically exempt from the California Environmental Quality Act ("CEQA") under the Class 2 exemption, which applies to the replacement or reconstruction of existing structures and facilities, here sewer mains and manholes, where the new structure will be located on the same site as the structure replaced and will have substantially the same purpose and capacity as the structure replaced. (State CEQA Guidelines, § 15302.)

Date: March 21, 2023

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### Facts

1. On [March 1, 2022](#), City Council adopted the 2022 CDBG Budget, which included the installation of missing curbs, gutters, sidewalks and alley approaches, as well as upgrades to curb ramps (to meet the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) standards) on 17<sup>th</sup> Street, from Chestnut to Spring Street.
2. On [April 5, 2022](#), City Council authorized the City Manager to engage the services of Stantec to design the improvements, as noted above.
3. The FY 2022-23 Measure J-20 Adopted Budget expanded the CDBG project to include surface and road repairs.
4. The Water Master Plan identified the water mains on 17<sup>th</sup> Street as needing an upgrade because of age and, to improve fire flow, should also be upsized.
5. The Sewer Operations Manual also identified several old sewer mains and manholes on 17<sup>th</sup> Street that have deteriorated and need repairs.
6. Plans were prepared and advertised for bids for the repairs and upgrades to the underground pipelines. The engineer's estimate was \$925,500. At the bid opening on March 2, 2023, six bids were received:

Construction Company	Bid Amount
Raminha Construction	\$726,880
JJ Fisher Construction	\$858,226
Souza Construction	\$870,217
Specialty Construction	\$944,022
MGE Underground	\$1,249,548
Lyles Utility	\$1,253,100

7. Stantec will be assisting staff in providing construction phase engineering, including: construction staking, compaction testing for pipe trenching, review submittals and materials to ensure compliance with specifications. Their fee for this work is \$74,858.

### Options

1. Take no action;
2. Authorize the City Manager to enter into an agreement with Raminha Construction for \$726,880, the lowest responsible bidder, and separately to Stantec for \$74,858, to install and repair sewer and water mains at 17<sup>th</sup> Street from Chestnut to Spring Street; or
3. Provide alternative direction to staff.

### **Analysis and Conclusions**

The City Council adopted a CDBG Budget and a Capital Improvement Project to install missing curbs, gutters, sidewalks, alley approaches, upgrade curb ramps, and road resurfacing for 17<sup>th</sup> Street, from Chestnut to Spring Street. However, prior to performing these surface repairs, deteriorated water and sewer mains need to be repaired. This project is included in and consistent with the Enterprise's Funds Master Plan and Rate Study, albeit ahead of schedule; however, it is most cost effective to upgrade these pipelines ahead of construction and resurfacing of the road. Staff reviewed the bid from Raminha Construction for the pipeline work and found it to be a responsive and responsible bid.

### **Fiscal Impact**

The total cost of construction services to Raminha Construction is \$726,880 and for construction engineering services to Stantec is \$74,858, for a total project cost of \$801,738. (This is in addition to the funds already appropriated for the curb ramps, sidewalks, etc., and road resurfacing.) There is currently \$326,900 in the Water Fund's Annual Pipeline Replacement Fund, so the additional shortfall of \$267,100 will come from Water Fund budget savings. The Wastewater Fund's Annual Pipeline Replacement Fund has adequate funds to cover the \$208,000 needed for its portion of the project.

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### **Recommendation**

Approve Resolution 23-XXX, directing the City Manager to execute contracts with Raminha Construction for \$726,880, and Stantec for \$74,858, to install and repair sewer and water mains at 17<sup>th</sup> Street, from Chestnut to Spring Street

### **Attachments**

1. Resolution 23-XXX