

From: Ditas Esperanza, Capital Projects Engineer

Subject: Award the Contract for the Annual West Side Slurry Seal Road Maintenance Services

CEQA Determination: The City finds that this action is categorically exempt under the California Environmental Quality Act ("CEQA") under the Class 1 exemption, which applies to the operation, repair, maintenance, permitting, leasing, licensing, or minor alteration of existing structures, facilities, mechanical equipment, or topographical features where the project involves negligible or no expansion of existing or former use. (State CEQA Guidelines, § 15301.

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Date: April 18, 2023

#### **Facts**

- 1. Application of a slurry seal treatment to City streets extends the useful life. For the west side streets (as shown in Exhibit A), City staff proposes the use of a fiberized slurry seal. Placement of fiberized slurry seal was tested on Tower Road, east of Airport Road and is performing well. Additionally, although approximately 20% to 25% more costly than a standard slurry, it is a more robust treatment which is needed for the City's more deteriorated west side streets.
- 2. To further extend the useful life of these streets, dig-out repairs will also be performed at localized areas prior to placement of the fiberized slurry seal.
- 3. Staff prepared bid documents and advertised for bids. The engineer's estimate was \$575,900.
- 4. At the bid opening on March 23, 2023, one bid was received from VSS International, Inc., in the amount of \$548,000.

## **Options**

- 1. Take no action;
- 2. Award the contract to VSS International, Inc. for the City's annual west side slurry seal maintenance project, in the amount of \$548,000; or
- 3. Provide alternative direction to staff.

# **Analysis and Conclusions**

As recommended in the City's Pavement Maintenance Program, applying a slurry seal treatment is an effective means of extending the useful life of pavement at a minimum cost. The west side streets in question are slightly more deteriorated than the average street and require a more robust slurry seal application. In 2021, the City placed tested fiberized slurry seal on Tower Road east of Airport Road. This treatment is performing well and is therefore recommended for this year's west side street slurry seal maintenance. It is noted that VSS International, Inc. placed the test material on Tower Road. City staff reviewed VSS Internationals bid of \$548,000, for the annual west side streets project found it to be a responsive and responsible bid.

## **Fiscal Impact**

The total cost of the contract to VSS International, Inc. is \$548,000. During the January 17, 2023 City Council meeting, City Council authorized an additional budget appropriation from Measure J-20 reserves towards the annual west side street maintenance project; no other action is required.

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# **Recommendation** (Option 2)

Approve Resolution 23-XXX, authorizing the City Manager to execute a contract to VSS International, Inc. for the City's annual west side slurry seal maintenance project, in the amount of \$548,000.

# Attachments

1. Resolution 23-XXX