

# **City Council Report**

**Date**: May 16, 2016

To: City Council

Through: Kari Kent, Assistant City Manager

From: Beth Huning, City Engineer Rob Kidder, Assistant City Engineer

Subject: Rio Salado Pathway - SR101L to Dobson Road City Project Nos. C10469-CP0332 Council District # 1



# Purpose and Recommendation

The purpose of this report is to provide information to the Council concerning the bids received for the Rio Salado Pathway project (SR101L to Dobson Road) (See attached Exhibit A for the location).

Staff recommends that Council award a contract for this project to the lowest responsible bidder, J. Banicki Construction, Inc., in the amount of \$3,116,308.50, and authorize a change order allowance in the amount of \$311,630.

# Background

The City received a federal Congestion Mitigation and Air Quality (CMAQ) grant and a Transportation Alternative (TA) grant to construct a shared-use pathway along the Salt River Bank southern levee that will provide a regional connection to networks in the City of Mesa, City of Tempe and City of Phoenix. This shared-use pathway will provide regional connectivity, promote non-vehicular transportation, and transform the Salt River Bank southern levee into a recreational amenity.

# Discussion

This project will provide a multi-use, recreational pathway located between the State Route(SR)101L/SR202L interchange and the Dobson Road/SR202L interchange. The pathway will also feature a trailhead through an access tunnel under SR202L that provides direct access to Sloan Park and Mesa Riverview Park. On the western end, the pathway will tie into the Rio Salado Pathway Segment 2 recently constructed by ADOT and the City of Tempe underneath the SR101L/SR202L system interchange. The pathway will be approximately 7,000 feet in total length and is comprised of Segment 3 and Segment 4, which are two of the identified

segments of the Rio Salado Regional Pathway. The pathway will consist of asphalt paving along the top of the existing levee, installation of safety railing, lighting, recovery stations, landscaping and irrigation infrastructure. The recovery stations will provide shaded areas for pathway users and will include decorative concrete, gabion walls, hardscape, benches, signage, landscaping and other amenities.

<u>Community Impact</u> – The Rio Salado Pathway is part of a transportation and recreational corridor linking the cities of Phoenix, Tempe and Mesa. Segments 3 and 4 of the Rio Salado Pathway will complete the link of the Tempe Marketplace commercial node and Tempe Town Lake to Mesa's Riverview Commercial Center. The pathway will also provide a connection to the recently completed Sloan Park Spring Training Facility and Mesa Riverview Park. The project will result in a major addition to the City's existing multi-use trail system along with providing a scenic and unique corridor for all recreational users. The project construction will require minor traffic restrictions at the Dobson Road/SR202L interchange. Other temporary impacts during construction may include noise and dust for Riverview Park users. Once work is started, the project is anticipated to be completed in approximately 150 calendar days.

#### Alternatives

An alternative is to not construct this pathway project. This would result in nonutilization of the federal funds approved for this project. This alternative is not recommended.

#### **Fiscal Impact**

The total authorized amount recommended for this project is \$3,427,938.50, based on the lowest-responsible bid of \$3,116,308.50, plus an additional \$311,630 (10%) as a change order allowance. This allowance will only be utilized for approved change orders. The project funding is comprised of a \$1,599,999 grant from Federal Highway Administration CMAQ, a \$1,585,674 grant from Federal Highway Administration TA, and \$242,265.50 from City of Mesa 2012 Parks and Recreation Bond and City of Mesa Transportation Local Street Sales Tax.

#### **Coordinated With**

The Transportation and Parks and Recreation departments concur with this recommendation.

# CITY OF MESA MESA, ARIZONA

# RIO SALADO PATHWAY SR101L TO DOBSON ROAD

# **PROJECT NO. C10469-CP0332**

Tabulation of Bids Received, Thursday, April 7, 2016, at 2:00 P.M.

ENGINEER'S ESTIMATE	\$3,350,710.30
1. J. Banicki Construction, Inc.	\$3,116,308.50
2. Nesbitt Contracting Co., Inc.	\$3,158,253.00
3. Haydon Construction Co.	\$3,395,888.05