



City Council Report

Date: March 15, 2021
To: City Council
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Subject: Cemetery North Expansion - Phase IIB and Urn/Scatter Garden
City Project No. CP0583CEP2
Council District 1

Purpose and Recommendation

The purpose of this report is to provide information to the Council concerning the results of the bids received for the Cemetery North Expansion – Phase IIB and Urn/Scatter Garden project (See Exhibit “A” for the project location).

Staff recommends that Council award a contract for this project to the lowest responsive/responsible bidder, Low Mountain Construction Inc, in the amount of \$2,587,054.48, and authorize a change order allowance in the amount of \$258,705.45 (10%).

Background

In 2015, the City’s Parks, Recreation and Community Facilities (PRCF) department identified the need for an expansion of the current Cemetery grounds to increase available grave site inventory. This phase will collectively provide an additional 2,175 additional grave sites and an alternative for a new urn/scatter garden.

Discussion

This project will include the construction of turf covered grave sites, the installation of tree-lined streets, retaining walls, view walls, and block screen walls. Improvements will also include a new urn and scatter garden, benches with shaded rose planted reflection areas, associated landscaping, an art sculpture, ADA compliant walkways, and additional parking.

Community Impact – This project will provide much needed additional plots for grave sites. The Contractor will work with Cemetery staff to schedule work activities around scheduled funeral services.

Once underway, construction of this project is anticipated to last no more than 10 months.

Alternatives

An alternative to this project would be to not construct these improvements. This is not recommended due to low inventory of available grave sites.

Fiscal Impact

The total authorized amount recommended for this project is \$2,845,759.93, based upon the lowest responsive/responsible bid of \$2,587,054.48, plus an additional \$258,705.45 (10%) as a change order allowance. This change order allowance will only be utilized for approved change orders.

This project is funded by current and future Cemetery revenues. The City operates the Mesa Cemetery using profits from grave sites and scatter garden revenues.

Coordinated With

The Parks, Recreation and Community Facilities Department concurs with this recommendation.

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CEMETERY NORTH EXPANSION - PHASE IIB

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Tabulation of Bids Received, Thursday, 2/25/2021 at 1:00 PM

ENGINEER'S ESTIMATE	Base Bid	\$812,801.59
	Bid Alternate 1 – Urn/Scatter Garden	<u>\$1,464,117.29</u>
		\$2,276,918.88
1. Low Mountain Construction, Inc.	Base Bid	\$1,205,656.22
	Bid Alternate 1 – Urn/Scatter Garden	<u>\$1,381,398.26</u>
		\$2,587,054.48
2. Fishel Construction Company	Base Bid	\$1,187,824.26
	Bid Alternate 1 – Urn/Scatter Garden	<u>\$1,716,973.45</u>
		\$2,904,797.71
3. Doege Development LLC	Base Bid	\$1,704,404.25
	Bid Alternate 1 – Urn/Scatter Garden	<u>\$1,508,380.76</u>
		\$3,216,994.54