



# City Council Report

**Date:** May 12, 2025  
**To:** City Council  
**Through:** Marc Heirshberg, Deputy City Manager  
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**Subject:** Val Vista Drive Improvements (US 60 to Pueblo Avenue) and  
Val Vista Sewer Rehabilitation  
City Project Nos. CP0062 and CP0956  
Council District 2

## Purpose and Recommendation

The purpose of this report is to provide information to Council concerning the results of the bids received for the Val Vista Drive Improvements and Val Vista Sewer Rehabilitation project (See Exhibit "A" for the project location).

Staff recommends that Council award a contract for this project to the lowest responsible bidder, Granite Construction Company, in the amount of \$16,481,880.00 and authorize a change order allowance in the amount of \$1,648,188.00 (10%).

## Background

In November 2003, the Maricopa Association of Governments (MAG) adopted the Regional Transportation Plan (RTP) that provides for improvements to the region's transportation systems. With the passage of Proposition 400 in November 2004, regional and federal funding, in conjunction with local funding, is provided for the implementation of this program. Mesa entered into an agreement with MAG to utilize RTP funds to complete design and construction of improvements (Project) to Val Vista Drive from US 60 to Pueblo Avenue.

In 2018, the Val Vista Drive and Southern Avenue intersection was identified as the No.1 crash location in the City of Mesa (City). The City's Transportation Department initiated a project to improve safety, increase capacity, and reduce congestion that occurs at the intersection during peak travel hours. The Project will construct the full buildout of Val Vista Drive from US 60 to Pueblo Avenue.

Separately, the City conducted a manhole and pipe assessment of the existing sewer system along Val Vista Drive from Baseline Road to Broadway Road. The assessment

found several defects and potential problems that could result in sewage backups in the system. Rehabilitation of the existing sewer pipe and manholes was recommended to minimize the risk of future problems with the sewer system in this area.

## **Discussion**

The Project will improve Val Vista Drive to accommodate three (3) through lanes in each direction from the US 60 to south of Enid Avenue. Dual left turn lanes will be constructed at the north and south legs of the Val Vista Drive and Southern Avenue intersection. New raised medians will be constructed on all four legs of the intersection for safety purposes.

Also included is the reconstruction of approximately 0.75 miles of existing roadway along Val Vista Drive from US 60 to south of Enid Avenue and on Southern Avenue (500 feet east and west of the intersection). Other improvements include new curb and gutter, sidewalk, ADA facilities, raised medians, bike lanes, signing, traffic signal equipment, street lighting, landscaping, pavement markings, and transit facilities.

City utility improvements include rehabilitation of the existing sewer line and manholes (from Baseline Road to Broadway Road), new storm drain, and new gas lines and regulator stations.

Community Impact – Temporary impacts will include traffic restrictions throughout the duration of construction. Public access will be maintained to businesses and local streets. Additional impacts may include left-turn restrictions, lane closures, and other temporary restrictions as construction activities are in progress.

Once underway, construction of this project is anticipated to last no more than 15 months.

## **Alternatives**

An alternative to this project would be to not construct these improvements. This is not recommended because safety and congestion issues along Val Vista Drive in this area are expected to deteriorate if not addressed.

## **Fiscal Impact**

The total authorized amount recommended for this project is \$18,130,068.00, based upon the lowest responsible bid of \$16,481,880.00, plus an additional \$1,648,188.00 (10%) as a change order allowance. This change order allowance will only be utilized for approved change orders.

This project is funded by 2020 Street Bonds, MAG Regional Arterial Road Funds, and Utility Systems Revenue Obligations (Gas, Water, Wastewater).

**Coordinated With**

The Transportation, Water Resources, and Energy Resources Departments concur with this recommendation.

CITY OF MESA  
MESA, ARIZONA

**Val Vista Drive Improvements, US 60 to Pueblo Avenue  
& Val Vista Sewer Rehabilitation**

**PROJECT NOS. CP0062 and CP0956**

Tabulation of Bids Received, Thursday March 13th, 2025 at 1:30p.m.

<b>ENGINEER'S ESTIMATE</b>	<b>\$18,776,519.00</b>
1. Granite Construction Company	\$16,481,880.00
2. Hunter Contracting Company	\$16,504,495.55
3. Action Direct LLC (dba Redpoint Contracting)	\$19,152,758.35
4. SEMA Construction, Inc	\$20,763,021.76
5. WW Clyde & Company	\$21,349,255.03