



City of Arts & Innovation

City Council Memorandum

TO: HONORABLE MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL **DATE: JANUARY 18, 2022**

FROM: PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT **WARD: 2**

SUBJECT: AWARD BID NO. 7845 FOR THE CONSTRUCTION OF FISCAL YEAR 2020/21 COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANT WARD 2 STREET IMPROVEMENTS FOR DWIGHT AVENUE FROM LINDEN STREET TO MINNESOTA STREET TO IE GENERAL ENGINEERING, INC., OF BEAUMONT, CALIFORNIA, IN THE AMOUNT OF \$423,095.65

ISSUE:

Award Bid No. 7845 for Fiscal Year 2020/21 Community Development Block Grant Ward 2 Street Improvements for Dwight Avenue from Linden Street to Minnesota Street to IE General Engineering, Inc., of Beaumont, California, in the amount of \$423,095.65.

RECOMMENDATIONS:

That the City Council:

1. Award a construction contract for Bid. No. 7845 for Fiscal Year 2020/21 Community Block Grant Ward 2 Street Improvements for Dwight Avenue from Linden Street to Minnesota Street to IE General Engineering, Inc., of Beaumont, California, in the amount of \$423,095.65; and
2. Authorize the City Manager, or his designee, to execute the construction contract with IE General Engineering, Inc., including making minor and non-substantive changes.

BOARD/COMMISSION RECOMMENDATIONS:

On June 21, 2021, the Park and Recreation Commission provided feedback on the request to remove twelve palm trees and two canopy trees associated with the proposed improvements on Dwight Avenue between Linden Street and Minnesota Street. No issues were identified.

On January 10, 2022, the Board of Public Utilities will hear this item for consideration to approve the expenditure in the amount of \$92,931.30 with IE General Engineering, Inc., of Beaumont, California for the streetlight installation component of the Public Works Department Bid No. 7845 for Fiscal Year 2020/21 Community Development Block Grant Ward 2 Street Improvements for Dwight Avenue from Linden Street to Minnesota Street.

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meeting. Due to the expenditure deadlines for the proposed federal funding, this Council report is published prior to the Board of Utilities meeting to expedite the start of construction. Any significant details arising from the Board of Utilities meeting will be communicated with the City Council.

BACKGROUND:

The Community Development Block Grant (CDBG), as a part of the United States Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD), provides annual funding to local entitlement communities for a wide range of programs, such as infrastructure, affordable housing, and economic development.

On September 15, 2020, the City Council approved and appropriated the recommendations from the Community and Economic Development Department of CDBG funding for the Program Year 2020/21.

DISCUSSION:

On October 4, 2021, Bid No. 7845 for Fiscal Year (FY) 2020/21 CDBG Ward 2 Dwight Avenue Street Improvements (Project) was posted on PlanetBids to provide street improvements on Dwight Avenue between Linden Street and Minnesota Street (Attachment 1). The Project improvements include the following work:

- Widen the easterly side of the roadway pavement in areas currently not at the ultimate street width per the City General Plan, construct new concrete curb, gutter, sidewalk, and driveways, and relocate gates and fences;
- Construct new concrete curb and gutter on the westerly side to complete missing sections;
- Remove interfering trees as necessary to construct all improvements;
- Remove and replace all existing pavement;
- Reconstruct damaged concrete curbs, sidewalks, and pedestrian ramps as required;
- Replace all traffic signing and striping throughout as necessary; and
- Install new concrete street light poles.

On October 28, 2021, seven bids were received for the construction of the Project (Attachment 2). The lowest responsive bid was from IE General Engineering, Inc., in the amount of \$423,095.65, which is 1.18% over the Engineer's Estimate.

The Community and Economic Development Director concurs with the award recommendation.

The Purchasing Manager concurs that the recommended action to award is in compliance with Purchasing Resolution 23256.

STRATEGIC PLAN ALIGNMENT:

This Project aligns to **Strategic Priority No. 6 – Infrastructure, Mobility and Connectivity** and **Goal No. 6.2** – Maintain, protect, and improve assets and infrastructure within the City's built environment to ensure and enhance reliability, resiliency, sustainability, and facilitate connectivity.

It also aligns with each of the Cross-Cutting Threads as follows:

1. **Community Trust** – Riverside is transparent and makes decisions based on sound policy, inclusive community engagement, involvement of City Boards & Commissions, and timely and reliable information. Activities and actions by the City serve the public interest, benefit the City's diverse populations, and result in greater public good.
2. **Equity** – The Department of Urban Housing Development (HUD), in partnership with the City of Riverside through the CDBG Program, strives to invest in low-income communities by utilizing CDBG Funds to construct transportation improvements in disadvantaged communities.
3. **Fiscal Responsibility** – Riverside is a prudent steward of public funds and ensures responsible management of the City's financial resources by awarding construction contracts to the lowest responsive and responsible bidders.
4. **Innovation** – This project exemplifies established methods of street improvements, and no innovative practices were advanced. Riverside is inventive and timely in meeting the community's changing needs and prepares for the future through collaborative partnerships and adaptive processes.
5. **Sustainability & Resiliency** – CDBG Projects ensure that underdeveloped communities progress and persevere. Investing in infrastructure creates resiliency for our residents. This project will make the street safer and more resilient by adding missing sidewalk segments and new streetlights.

FISCAL IMPACT:

The estimated total Project cost including design, construction, construction engineering and contingencies is \$560,000.00 (Table 1).

Table 1—Project Costs

Task	Amount
Public Works Engineering (In House) Staff	\$37,819.08
RPU Electric Engineering Staff	\$39,775.70
Construction Contract	\$423,095.65
Construction Contingencies	\$42,309.57
Construction Engineering, Inspection, and Survey (In House)	\$17,000.00
Construction Materials Testing (TBD from Approved Panel)	
Total	\$560,000.00

Sufficient funds are available in the Project expenditure accounts shown in (Table 2) to award the construction contract and complete the Project.

Table 2—Project Funds

Task	Amount
CDBG Ward 2 – Dwight Ave Improvements - (Acct. 9170600611-440120)	\$355,380.00
Public Works Matching Funds for CDBG (Acct. 9888827152-440223)	\$62,620.00
RPU Electric – Street Lighting Improvements (Acct. 6130000-470637)	\$142,000.00
Total	\$560,000.00

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Approved by: Kris Martinez, Assistant City Manager
Approved as to form: Phaedra A. Norton, City Attorney

Attachments:

1. Project Location Map
2. Bid Award Recommendation