

# City Council Staff Report

Date:

October 15, 2014

CONSENT CALENDAR

Subject:

APPROVAL OF PLANS, SPECIFICATIONS AND ESTIMATE (PS&E) AND AUTHORIZATION TO BID FOR TAHQUITZ CANYON WAY MEDIAN LANSCAPING FROM SUNRISE TO EL CIELO, CITY PROJECT

NO. 13-33.

From:

David H. Ready, City Manager

Initiated by: Public Works and Engineering Department

## SUMMARY

Approval of this item will authorize staff to advertise for construction bids for the Tahquitz Canyon Way Median Landscaping project, Sunrise Way to El Cielo Road and further authorize the City Manager to award the contract to the lowest responsible. responsive bidder provided said bid does not exceed \$1,800,000.

#### **RECOMMENDATION:**

- 1. Approve the plans, specifications, and working details for Tahquitz Canyon Way Median from Sunrise to El Cielo, City Project 13-33, and authorize staff to advertise for bids.
- 2. Authorize the City Manager to award the construction contract to the lowest responsible, responsive bidder in an amount not greater than \$1,800,000.

## STAFF ANALYSIS:

In accordance with Section 7.03.040 of the Procurement and Contracting Code the City Council is required to approve and adopt plans, specifications and working details, and authorize the bid request for all public projects in excess of \$100,000. Approval of this item will allow staff to proceed with the final details of this project and advertise for bids. with an estimated construction cost of \$1,800.000

Measure J has funded the median landscaping of Tahquitz Canyon Way from Sunrise to El Cielo.

On September 3, 2014 City Council approved an Agreement with RGA Landscape Architects, Inc. for landscape and architectural design services for the Tahquitz Canyon Way Median (Sunrise Way to El Cielo Road) as well as concept revisions to the previously approved segment between Sunrise Way and Civic Drive. Also included were development enhancements to the median landscaping improvements recently completed in section 14.

On September 4, 2014 the Council subcommittee (comprised of Councilmen Mills and Hutcheson, and Planning Commissioner Middleton) for the subject project met to discuss the proposed conceptual plan revisions presented by the Landscape Architect Consultant (RGA). The subcommittee provided input and requested revised conceptual plans. The revised plans were presented and approved by the City Council on September 17, 2014.

The plans and specifications prepared by RGA Landscape Architects are ready for Council approval and the subsequent advertisement for construction bids. The construction cost estimate for this project is \$1,800,000. Approval of the recommended action will allow staff to finalize the PS&E and proceed with bidding of this project.

At the Council meeting, full size plans will be posted and/or available for review. Should Council have further comments at this meeting RGA will address them prior to staff advertising for bids.

# **FISCAL IMPACT**:

Funding is made available through Measure J in account No. 260-4500-59461.

SUBMITTED:

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Plans to be presented at Council Meeting