



CITY OF MENIFEE

SUBJECT: Reject all Bids for the Casa Blanca and Willows/Lake Ridge Neighborhood Resurfacing Projects

MEETING DATE: June 21, 2023

TO: Mayor and City Council

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REVIEWED BY: Nick Fidler, Public Works Director

APPROVED BY: Armando G. Villa, City Manager

RECOMMENDED ACTION

1. Authorize the City Manager to reject all bids submitted for the Casa Blanca Neighborhood and Willows/Lake Ridge Neighborhood Resurfacing projects, Capital Improvement Project Nos. 23-05 and 23-06.

DISCUSSION

The Casa Blanca Neighborhood Resurfacing project, Capital Improvement Project (CIP) No. 23-05, is located east of the I-215 freeway, and south of McCall Boulevard, with major crossroads of Antelope Road and Grand Avenue. The Willows Neighborhood Resurfacing project, CIP No. 23-06, is located east of the I-215 freeway, and south of Newport Road, with major crossroads of La Piedra Road and Menifee Road. These projects would resurface existing pavement by grinding and overlaying asphalt concrete, replace 52 existing non-compliant curb ramps, construct drainage improvements, and provide removal and replacement of striping and signage. The combined project length of the resurfacing efforts would be approximately 2.92 linear miles.

In an effort to maximize budget use for the projects, staff administered a combined competitive bid process for both projects which was legally advertised on April 25, 2023, in accordance with the California Public Contract Code. An electronic bid opening was held on May 9, 2023, and a total of two bids were received, as summarized in Table 1 on the following page.

Table 1- Bid Result Summary

Firm Name	Total Bid Amount	Lowest Responsible Bidder
<i>Engineers Estimate</i>	<i>\$2,200,000.00</i>	
Manhole Adjusting Inc.	\$2,698,000.58	X
Onyx Paving Company, Inc.	\$4,444,000.00	

The bid amounts received were well above the engineer's estimate of \$2,200,000. Based on the lowest construction bid received, the anticipated overall costs for both projects are estimated to be \$3,075,721. The overall costs include the construction contract, materials testing, labor compliance, and additional anticipated costs typically associated with construction projects such as these to deliver a turn-key facility. The anticipated construction costs exceed the combined allocated funding for both projects. Given the higher than expected construction costs received in the bid responses, an additional \$787,721 would be required to move forward with the projects based on the apparent lowest bidder's pricing.

Public Contract Code §20166 allows a legislative body, in its discretion, to reject any bids and readvertise a project. In an effort to accommodate the current available funding, it is recommended that the City Council reject all submitted bids to allow staff to perform value engineering to the current scope of work and re-bid the projects.

Because only two bids were received, staff will re-evaluate and re-bid the project in a timely manner. Staff will work to identify cost-saving opportunities through other resurfacing techniques and revise the construction documents accordingly. Re-bidding the projects is expected to result in bid proposals that align more closely with the approved budget, while still meeting the intent of the original scope of work.

STRATEGIC PLAN OBJECTIVE

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FISCAL IMPACT

There is no fiscal impact associated with the recommended action.

ATTACHMENTS

1. Project Location Map – Casa Blanca Resurfacing
2. Project Location Map – Willows Neighborhood Resurfacing