

Lompoc City Council Agenda Item



City Council Meeting Date: October 7, 2008

TO: Gary P. Keefe, City Administrator

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**SUBJECT: REJECT ALL BIDS FOR PROJECT NO. FY-08-S-1 –
2008 SLURRY SEAL PROJECT**

RECOMMENDATION:

Staff recommends that the City Council reject all bids for Project No. FY-08-S-1 in accordance with Paragraph 10, Page 3, "Notice To Contractors," of the Project Manual, Part A, and under the authority of Lompoc City Code Section 2636.

BACKGROUND:

Project No. FY-08-S-1 is part of the ongoing street maintenance program to improve and/or maintain the City's infrastructure. The project, as advertised, consisted of applying a slurry seal in some locations, and in other locations applying a three-layer asphalt surfacing system designed to prolong the useful life of deteriorated asphalt pavement. Slurry seal was proposed for "A" Street from Central Avenue to North Avenue, and on Bell Avenue from Orchid Street to Third Street. The three-layer system was proposed on "L" Street north of Central Avenue, on Commerce Court east of "L" Street, on "F" Street and "G" Street from Cypress Avenue to Olive Avenue, on Hawthorne Street from Olive Avenue to Clemens Way, on Hickory Avenue from "R" Street to "P" Street, on Laurel Avenue from Seventh Street to Twelfth Street, on Palmetto Avenue from Fifth Street to Seventh Street, and on "P" Street from Hickory Avenue to Lime Avenue.

The Project was noticed, advertised and bid in accordance with the procedures of the Uniform Public Construction Cost Accounting Act (Public Contract Code Sections 22000-22045). The Uniform Public Construction Cost Accounting Act has been incorporated as a part of the City of Lompoc Purchasing and Public Project Procedures (Chapter 26 of the Lompoc City Code).

The office of the City Clerk was available to receive bids for this project until 2:00 p.m., Wednesday, September 24, 2008, at which time two (2) bids were publicly opened and read. The Bids received were: \$574,768.20 by Manhole Adjusting Contractors, Inc., and \$612,370.40 by International Surfacing Systems.

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Staff's construction cost estimate was \$350,000.00 based on previous bids of similar projects in other cities. Staff recommends that all bids be rejected as the bids received are over the original project budget and are substantially higher than data received from other agencies. The Streets Division plans to increase the project size and re-advertise the project during the Spring of 2009 in an effort to obtain a more cost efficient project.

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APPROVED FOR SUBMITTAL TO THE CITY ADMINISTRATOR:

Larry A. Bean, P.E.
Public Works Director

APPROVED FOR SUBMITTAL TO THE CITY COUNCIL:

Gary P. Keefe
City Administrator