

**EVALUATION OF BID PROPOSALS**

FOR: ASHLAN AVENUE SIDEWALKS FROM EFFIE ST. TO STATE ROUTE 41

Bid File No. 3719  
Bid Opening: 05/05/20

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<b><u>BIDDERS</u></b>	<b><u>BID AMOUNT</u></b>
1. Avison Construction, Inc. 40434 Brickyard Drive Madera, CA 93636	\$318,560.00
2. Clean Cut Landscape Incorporated 7726 N. First Street 137 Fresno, CA 93720	\$327,292.00 *Non-Responsive

\*Bidder's proposal missing required document

Each bidder has agreed to allow the City sixty-four (64) days from date bids are opened to accept or reject their bid proposal. Purchasing requests that you complete the following sections and return this bid evaluation to the Purchasing Unit at the latest by Monday, May 25, 2020 5:00 P.M.

The Engineer's Estimate for this expenditure is \$192,000.00. The contract price is 66% above the Engineer's Estimate. If the overage is greater than 10% or only one bid was received, give explanation:

Staff evaluated the bids and concluded that due to the abundance of available large construction projects at bid time and the relatively low dollar value of this work, this small construction project did not find adequate interest for many typical concrete contractors. Also, with the current COVID-19 (Coronavirus) pandemic and "shelter-at-home" policies and guidelines that are in effect in the state of California, many bidders have raised their bid amounts due to uncertainty. To ensure a successful rebid, staff will re-evaluate the scope and update the project's construction estimate in order to be within the adopted project budget. Staff also recommends advertising the project in the fall of 2020 with an anticipation of being beyond the major financial uncertainty of the COVID-19 pandemic. Staff is recommending that Council reject all bids for the Ashlan Avenue Sidewalks project and direct staff to rebid the project.

**BACKGROUND OF PROJECT:**

The scope of work includes, but is not limited to constructing curb, gutter, sidewalk, drive approaches, minor on-site driveway reconstruction, curb ramp construction, and an Accessible Pedestrian System. This project is on both sides of Ashlan Avenue from Effie Street to SR41.

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DEPARTMENT CONCLUSIONS AND RECOMMENDATION:

Award a contract in the amount of \$ \_\_\_\_\_  
to \_\_\_\_\_  
as the lowest responsive and responsible bidder.

Remarks:

Reject all bids. Reason:  
The low bid of \$318,560.00 is 66% over the Engineer's Estimate of \$192,000.00 and exceeds the project's construction budget. Based on recent bid results we feel the uncertainty surrounding the pandemic played a large part in the elevated bid amounts. This project is solely funded with a Federal Active Transportation Project (ATP) grant and no other funds are slated for this project nor are anticipated.

Department Head Approval

  
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Title Assistant Director

Date 6/8/2020

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A DBE goal of 14 % was established for this project. The recommended Contractor complied with the DBE requirements pursuant to the bid specifications.

msperal 06/09/2020  
DBE Program Coordinator Date

Approve Dept. Recommendation  
Finance/Purchasing Recommendation

Approve

Disapprove

Disapprove

See Attachment

FINANCE DEPARTMENT

CITY MANAGER

msperal 06/09/2020  
Purchasing Manager Date

[Signature] 6/12/20  
City Manager or Designee Date

Michael King 6/9/20  
Finance Director Date