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**REPORT TO THE CITY COUNCIL**

**April 9, 2020**

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**SUBJECT**

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**RECOMMENDATION**

Staff recommends that Council adopt a finding of Categorical Exemption and award a construction contract with American Paving Co. for \$365,708 for the Romain Park Challenge Course project and

authorize the Public Works Director or designee to sign and execute the standardized contract on behalf of the City of Fresno.

## **EXECUTIVE SUMMARY**

The Romain Park Challenge Course Project will provide a new amenity for the community at a well-attended park. The proposed Challenge Course is consistent with the adopted budget and Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) program for this fiscal year.

## **BACKGROUND**

The City of Fresno Parks, After School, Recreation and Community Services (PARCS) Department wishes to build a Challenge Course play structure within the existing Romain Park. Romain Park is a well-attended park in the heart of the city and the proposed Challenge Course will be a welcome addition to provide the surrounding neighborhood a fun exercise feature to promote an active and healthy lifestyle. The Challenge Course will complement the nearby Skate Park, and is in-line with the running/walking path that circles the park's perimeter.

Pursuant to AO 6-19 staff prepared and entered into an agreement for consultant services on behalf of the City of Fresno for the design and preparation of construction documents for the Romain Park Challenge Course. Plans and specifications were prepared by Provost & Pritchard Inc. A Notice Inviting Bids was published on December 16, 2019, distributed to twelve building exchanges and posted on the City's website. The specifications were distributed to eighteen prospective bidders. Two sealed bid proposals were received and opened in a public bid opening on January 28, 2020, with bid amounts of \$365,708 and \$442,580.

Staff is recommending that Council adopt finding of a Categorical Exemption and award of the construction contract to American Paving Co. for \$365,708 for the Romain Park Challenge Course and to authorize the Public Works Director or designee to sign and execute the standardized contract on behalf of the City of Fresno.

## **ENVIRONMENTAL FINDINGS**

Staff has determined that a Categorical Exemption is appropriate, based on Class 1 Section 15301 (e) of the CEQA Guidelines, which exempts projects consisting of the operation, permitting, or minor alteration of existing public facilities (including additions to existing structures) that involve negligible or no expansion of use beyond that existing at the time of the lead agency's determination. Also, Class 3 Section 15303 wherein projects consisting of the construction and location of limited numbers of new, small facilities or structures. Furthermore, staff has determined that note of the exceptions to Categorical Exemptions set forth in the CEQA Guidelines, Section 15300.2 apply to this project. Staff recommends that the Council, based upon its own independent judgment, adopt a finding of a Categorical Exemption per Staff determination, pursuant to Sections 15301(e)/Class 1 and 15303/Class 3 of the CEQA Guidelines for the Romain Park Challenge Course Project

## **LOCAL PREFERENCE**

Local preference was not implemented because the lowest responsive and responsible bidder is a local business.

## **FISCAL IMPACT**

The Romain Park Challenge Course project was included in the current FY20 PARCS Budget and is being funded by CDBG Funds.

Attachments:

Bid Evaluation

Fiscal Impact Statement

Standard Contract