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REPORT TO THE CITY COUNCIL

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SUBJECT

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RECOMMENDATION

Staff recommends that the City Council adopt a finding of Class 1 Categorical Exemption, pursuant to Section 15301(c) of the CEQA Guidelines; award a construction contract in the amount of \$385,459 to Kertel Communications, Inc. DBA Sebastian of Fresno, California, as the lowest responsive and responsible bidder for the Traffic Signal Improvements at the intersection of Belmont Avenue and Fulton Street, and authorize the Public Works Director or designee to sign the contract on the City's behalf.

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

The proposed traffic signal improvement project at the intersection of Belmont Avenue and Fulton Street will provide vehicle and pedestrian actuation. The project will also be included into the City's Intelligent Transportation System (ITS) to better serve the vehicular circulation in the area. These improvements will provide more efficient vehicle and pedestrian movement through the intersection. Also to be included are Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) curb access improvements. This traffic signal improvement project is being funded by a grant through the Highway Safety Improvement Program (HSIP) and a local match through SB1 gas tax revenues.

BACKGROUND

The proposed traffic signal modification project at the intersection of Belmont Avenue and Fulton Street will provide for vehicle and pedestrian actuation through the intersection. These improvements will provide significant improvement for efficient vehicle and pedestrian movement through the intersection. The project includes phasing improvements to the existing traffic signals, sidewalk modifications, upgraded curb ramps and synchronization with the Caltrans freeway 180 on-ramp signal at Fulton Street.

Public Works Department staff prepared project plans and specifications and a Notice Inviting Bids was published in the Business Journal on March 9, 2018, posted on the City's website and faxed to 9 building exchanges. The specifications were distributed to thirty six (36) prospective bidders. Two sealed bid proposals were received and opened in a public bid opening on April 3, 2018, with bids of \$385,459 and \$434,459 received. Kertel Communications, Inc. DBA Sebastian of Fresno was deemed the lowest responsive and responsible bidder. Bids will expire within 64 days as of the bid opening date, i.e., as of June 6, 2018.

Staff recommends awarding a construction contract to Kertel Communications, Inc., DBA Sebastian of Fresno for \$385,459 to construct the traffic signal modification project at the intersection of Belmont Avenue and Fulton Street and authorize the Public Works Director or his designee to sign and execute the standardized contract on behalf of the City of Fresno.

ENVIRONMENTAL FINDINGS

Staff has performed a preliminary environmental assessment of this project and has determined that it falls within the Categorical Exemption set forth in CEQA Guidelines Section 15301(c) (existing facilities), which exempts the repair, maintenance or minor alteration of existing structures or facilities, which includes existing streets, sidewalk and gutters, and no further expansion of existing use, because the project includes installation of traffic signal facilities, crosswalks, signage and

pavement striping. Furthermore, staff has determined that none of the exceptions to Categorical Exemptions set forth in the CEQA Guidelines, Section 15300.2 apply to this project.

LOCAL PREFERENCE

Local preference was not used based on conditions of State and Federal grant funding.

FISCAL IMPACT

The traffic signal at Belmont Avenue and Fulton Street is located in Council District 3. The overall cost of the project is \$526,505 and is primarily funded by a Federal grant from the HSIP, and SB1 Gas Tax as the local match. Of the overall budget for the project, \$385,459 will be used for the construction contract award.

Attachments:

Bid Evaluation

Fiscal Impact Statement

Vicinity Map

Contract