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REPORT TO THE CITY COUNCIL

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SUBJECT

Actions pertaining to the Parking Garage 9 Deck Repair Project located at 2030 Merced Street, between Van Ness Avenue and Fulton Street - Project Bid File No. 3629 (Council District 3)

- 1. Adopt a finding of Categorical Exemption pursuant to Class 1 Section 15301(d) (existing facilities) of the California Environmental Quality Act Guidelines for the rehabilitation work to be performed on the Parking Garage 9 Deck Repair
- 2. Award a construction contract to GC Builders of Fresno, California, in the amount of \$239,475 for the Parking Garage 9 Deck Repair

RECOMMENDATION

Staff recommends that the City Council adopt a finding of Class 1 Categorical Exemption, pursuant to Section 15301(d) of the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) Guidelines and award a construction contract in the amount of \$239,475 to GC Builders of Fresno, California, as the lowest responsive and responsible bidder for the Parking Garage 9 Deck Repair and authorize the Public Works Director or designee to sign the contract on the City's behalf.

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

Parking Garage 9 has been in use for over 50 years and is in need of significant safety repairs in order to keep it structurally viable for years to come. An assessment of the parking garage was performed in 2015 by Walter P. Moore and Associates whose report recommended High, Medium, and Low priority repairs for the structure. The proposed Parking Garage 9 Deck Repair Project addresses all the high priority repairs singled out in the assessment including, rehabilitating the vehicle restraint barrier and the repair of various concrete or structural items that have become dilapidated over time. These proposed repair items will provide a public safety improvement and will extend the parking structure's lifespan.

BACKGROUND

Parking Garage 9, located at 2030 Merced Street, provides 192 total parking stalls that are used for both monthly and daily parking for Downtown Fresno. The structure is situated between Van Ness Avenue and Fulton Avenue. The parking garage provides an optimal parking location for a number of businesses in the surrounding area. The structure was built in the early 1960's and there are several elements within the structure that are in need of repair in order to maintain a safe operation for vehicles and pedestrians alike.

The proposed repairs were called out as High Priority repairs in the 2015 Walter P. Moore Assessment report which includes various repairs to the concrete topping, tee flange repairs, installation of supplementary joist saddles, repair of damaged bollards, installation of new bollards, repairing curbs around the stairwells, replacement of damaged bearing pads, rehabilitation of the vehicle restrain barrier and the repairs on columns, beams, and walls.

Brooks-Ransom Associates Inc. of Fresno, California, prepared construction plans and technical specification used to bid the project.

Public Works Facilities staff had plans and specifications prepared and put the project out for a competitive bid. A Notice Inviting Bids (NIB) was posted on the City's website on October 15, 2018, advertised in the Business Journal and was faxed to twelve (12) building exchanges.

Plans and Specifications were distributed to nine (9) prospective bidders. The Bids were opened on December 4, 2018, and the City received four (4) sealed bids. The bids ranged from \$137,597 to \$503,540 for the Base Bid. The low bidder, T.P.A. Construction Inc., did not have a Statement of Qualification on file with the Purchasing Department and did not submit one with their bid, resulting in their bid being deemed non-responsive by the Purchasing Division. CG Builders of Fresno was

deemed the lowest responsive and responsible bidder. The bids will expire on February 6, 2019, sixty-four (64) days after the bid opening.

Staff recommends that the Council award a construction contract in the amount of \$239,475 to GC Builders of Fresno, CA and authorize the Public Works Director or designee to sign the contract on the City's behalf.

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(d) (Existing Facilities). This exemption applies because this Project involves the rehabilitation of a deteriorated structure. Staff determined under the CEQA Guidelines this Project fits within the definition of existing facilities in 15301(d) Class 1, as Categorically Exempt from further CEQA review. 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 implemented as the apparent low bidder, GC Builders, is a local business.

FISCAL IMPACT

The project will utilize General Fund dollars for the construction. Funds for this project have been approved as part of the FY2019 budget for the Development and Resource Management Department, as previously adopted by the Council.

Attachment: Bid Evaluation Standard Contract Fiscal Impact Statement