



BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
AGENDA LETTER

Agenda Number:

Clerk of the Board of Supervisors
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Department Name: Flood Control
Department No.: 054
For Agenda Of: 10/02/12
Placement: Administrative
Estimated Tme: NA
Continued Item: No
If Yes, date from:
Vote Required: Majority

TO: Board of Directors, Flood Control and Water Conservation District

FROM: Department Scott D. McGolpin, Public Works Director, 568-3010
Director(s)
Contact Info: Thomas D. Fayram, Deputy Public Works Director, 568-3436

SUBJECT: **North Avenue Storm Drain Improvements Project – West Phase, Lompoc, Fourth Supervisorial District**

County Counsel Concurrence

As to form: Yes

Other Concurrence: Risk Management

As to form: Yes

Auditor-Controller Concurrence

As to form: Yes

Recommended Actions:

- a) Award the construction contract for the North Avenue Storm Drain Improvements Project – West Phase in the amount of \$324,460.00 to the lowest responsive and responsible bidder R Baker, Inc. (a tri-county vendor), subject to the provisions of documents and certifications, as set forth in the plans and specifications applicable to the project and as required by law;
- b) Authorize the Chair to execute the construction contract upon return of the contractor's executed contract documents, and the review and approval of County Counsel, Auditor-Controller, and Risk Manager or their authorized representatives;
- c) Approve a contingency in the amount of \$28,723.00 for the above subject construction contract;
- d) Approve plans and specifications for the North Avenue Storm Drain Improvements Project – West Phase; and
- e) Find that the proposed North Avenue Storm Drain Project was found to be exempt under Section 15304, Minor Alterations to Land, on Nov. 11, 2011, that no substantial changes are proposed in the project, no substantial changes have occurred with respect to the circumstances under which the project is undertaken, and no new information of substantial importance has been received with respect to the project, and therefore no new CEQA action is required for approval of the

recommended actions. The Notice of Exemption and associated information can be found at: <http://santabarbara.legistar.com/LegislationDetail.aspx?ID=994641&GUID=35A2884C-5835-446F-A3F6-C2C0A644ECFF>

Summary Text:

The North Avenue Storm Drain Improvements Project – West Phase will provide additional storm water inlet structures and storm drain pipes at the intersection of H Street and North Avenue and drain the area into the East-West Channel in the City of Lompoc. District staff and City of Lompoc staff have worked together for many years to prioritize improvements in the City. This area of Lompoc has been identified by the City as an important area that lacks sufficient drainage control.

Pursuant to the Joint Powers Agreement (JPA) between the Santa Barbara County Flood Control & Water Conservation District (District) and the City of Lompoc executed by the Chair of the Board of Directors on November 15, 2011, the District will fund the design and construction costs for the North Avenue Storm Drain Improvements Project – West Phase. After the completion of construction, the City of Lompoc will own and maintain all facilities constructed.

At the November 15, 2011 Board Meeting, the Santa Barbara County Flood Control & Water Conservation District Board of Directors established that the North Avenue Storm Drain Improvements Project is exempt under CEQA guidelines, Section 15034, Minor Alterations to Land, and directed the Clerk of the Board to file a CEQA Notice of Exemption.

On September 6, 2012, the District received 12 bids for the North Avenue Storm Drain Improvements Project – West Phase. R. Baker, Inc. submitted the lowest responsive and responsible bid in the amount of \$324,460.00. The second lowest bid was in the amount of \$360,081. The engineer's construction cost estimate is \$448,757.00. Even though the bid is well below the engineer's cost estimate, District staff is confident that the bid is in fact responsive and responsible. R. Baker, Inc. is a reputable firm that has done work for the District in the past, and four of the twelve bids submitted came in below the engineer's cost estimate.

Background:

A low point in topography on H Street just north of the North Street intersection in the City of Lompoc floods during moderate to heavy rain events. In 2007, Penfield & Smith Engineers performed an analysis to determine the cause of flooding, and to evaluate the existing and proposed storm drain system hydraulics. Penfield & Smith determined that the localized flooding is the result of the undersized carrying capacity of the existing storm drain system within H Street and the lack of a street crown. The Flood Control District and the Transportation Division of the Public Works Department, in coordination with the City of Lompoc, designed the proposed storm drain system to capture tributary flows along the east and west side of H Street, separately. This North Avenue Storm Drain Improvements Project – West Side will be constructed in the 2012/2013 fiscal year, and the storm drain system on the east side of H Street will be constructed at a later date.

Fiscal and Facilities Impacts:

Budgeted: Yes

Fiscal Analysis:

<u>Funding Sources</u>	<u>Current FY Cost:</u>	<u>Annualized On-going Cost:</u>	<u>Total One-Time Project Cost</u>
Lompoc City FZ	\$353,183		
Federal			
Fees			
Other:	-		
Total	\$ 353,183	\$ -	\$ -

Narrative:

Costs for this project are included in the 2012-13 Adopted budget under the Water Resources Division of the Public Works Department as shown on page D-144 in the budget book. This project is also included in the Capital Improvement Program on page B-132. No General Fund will be utilized with these actions.

Special Instructions:

Direct the Clerk of the Board to send a copy of the minute order to the Flood Control District office, Attn: Christina Lopez.

Attachments:

Exhibit 1: Location Map
Copy of construction contract

Authored by: Jon Frye, Engineering Manager, 568-3444

Exhibit 1

