



Item Number: 1

City Council / Board of Directors

Public Hearing

Meeting of: May 4, 2021

Submitted By:

Brian Gengler, City Engineer

Subject:

7th Street Archway Refurbishment – Award of Construction Contract

Recommendation:

That the Honorable City Council:

- (1) Approve the Notice of Exemption; and
- (2) Award a construction contract to Inland Signs, Inc., in the amount of \$160,864.00 for the 7th Street Archway Refurbishment.

Fiscal Impact:

This action will result in a fiscal impact of \$160,864.00. This project is funded by Measure I, Fund 250. An additional appropriation is not required. The Fiscal Year 2020/2021 Budget included this Capital Improvement Project.

Account Code: 2505008-55040-62042

Available Budget: \$212,580.78

Background:

The 7th Street Archway is an existing sign structure which spans 7th Street, just south of D Street in Old Town Victorville. Please refer to Attachment A, a location map. The facade of the existing sign structure needs to be replaced and the current neon lighting is currently not operational. The 7th Street Archway Refurbishment Project scope includes removing the existing facade and upgrading the sign structure to be consistent with the Old Town Specific Plan. The existing lighting will be removed and replaced with energy efficient LED lighting. The improvements will incorporate corten steel around the sign columns, similar to the Route 66 theme steel features on 7th Street between Green Tree Boulevard and Lorene Drive. A tribute to Historical Route 66 will also be included in the new sign through the incorporation of a Route 66 logo and graphics reminiscent of Historical Route 66. Please refer to Attachment B, a rendering of the project.

Discussion:

This project was bid using informal bidding procedures in accordance with Municipal Code §2.28.200 and the California Public Contract Code. Informal bidding procedures are used for public works contracts with an estimated cost in excess of \$50,000 but not more than \$500,000. The project started advertising for construction bids on February 25, 2021. On April 6, 2021, one bid was received. The bid results are shown below.

<u>Company</u>	<u>Bid Amount</u>
Inland Signs, Inc.	\$160,864.00

Several sign companies were contacted to inform them of the opportunity to submit bids on the project when advertising started. After the bid opening, staff reached out to those firms regarding their decision to not bid the project. One firm indicated that they do not bid on projects with prevailing wages requirements. Another firm indicated that the project was not within their scope of expertise.

During the review of the bid, it was identified that the extension of unit prices to the subtotal for Bid Item 11 was incorrect. An adjustment was made to the subtotal of Bid Item 11 and to the Total Base Bid, resulting in a lower bid amount by two dollars (\$2.00). After a careful review of the bid proposal, staff determined that Inland Signs, Inc., is a responsive and responsible bidder.

The Engineer's estimate for the project ranged from \$160,000 to \$180,000. Although only one bid was received, staff considers the cost to be reasonable for the scope of work in the project.

Staff recommends that the Honorable City Council award a construction contract in the amount of \$160,864.00 to Inland Signs, Inc., for the 7th Street Archway Refurbishment project.

Staff remains available for any questions Council may have.

- Attachments:**
- A. Location Map
 - B. Rendering
 - C. Notice of Exemption
 - D. Contract