City of Garden Grove

INTER-DEPARTMENT MEMORANDUM

To:

Matthew J. Fertal

From:

Keith G. Jones

Dept:

City Manager

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Public Works

Subject:

REJECTION OF ALL BIDS AND

Date:

October 12, 2010

RE-ADVERTISE FOR PROJECT 7282 -

SPRINGDALE SIDEWALK/RETAINING WALL

IMPROVEMENTS

OBJECTIVE

To receive City Council approval to reject all bids and authorize re-advertisement for bids for Project 7282 - Springdale Sidewalk/Retaining Wall Improvements.

BACKGROUND

Staff solicited construction bids for the construction of approximately 400 feet of retaining wall along Seneca Street at the toe of the existing slope and 550 feet of sidewalk and guardrail along the top of the east embankment on Springdale Street. The improvements also include backfilling, compacting slope grading, concrete sidewalk, curb and gutter, curb ramps, guard railing, irrigation, landscaping and other items.

ANALYSIS

The City recently updated the Project Soils Report to provide the bidders with the latest ground water data. Subsequent reviews have determined that the specifications for the proposed wall should be re-evaluated to insure cost effectiveness, stability, complete assessment of groundwater impacts on construction, and aesthetics. To do this the City will need to reject all bids and re-advertise with the addition of mandatory pre-bid meeting with the contractors and subcontractors prior to the bid opening.

FINANCIAL IMPACT

The Sidewalk/Retaining Wall Improvement Project will be financed through the State Safe Routes to School Program. There is no financial impact to the General Fund.

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RECOMMENDATION

It is recommended that the City Council:

- Reject all bids received on September 30, 2010, for Project 7282 Springdale/Sidewalk/Retaining Wall Improvements; and
- Authorize staff to re-advertise for this project with the additional step of prequalifying contractors and subcontractors prior to the bid opening.

KEITH G. JONES

Public Works Director

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Recommended for Approval

Matthew Fertal City Manager