



# **Agenda Report**

## **Fullerton City Council**

**MEETING DATE:** APRIL 21, 2026

**TO:** CITY COUNCIL / SUCCESSOR AGENCY

**SUBMITTED BY:** STEPHEN BISE, P.E., PUBLIC WORKS DIRECTOR

**PREPARED BY:** DAVID GRANTHAM, P.E., CITY ENGINEER  
JUAN ZAVALA, P.E., PRINCIPAL CIVIL ENGINEER  
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**SUBJECT:** \$1,781,470 CONTRACT WITH NIEVES GENERAL ENGINEERING, INC. FOR FIRETHORNE AREA STREET REHABILITATION

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### SUMMARY

Award \$1,781,470 construction contract to Nieves General Engineering, Inc. for the Firethorne Area Street Rehabilitation Project.

### PROPOSED MOTION

1. Approve Project 44078, Firethorne Area Street Rehabilitation plans and specifications.
2. Approve the following budget transfers and appropriations in Project 44078 Firethorne Area Street Rehabilitation:
  - \$205,000 General Funds (Fund 10) from Project 44589 Residential Street Program to Project Firethorne Area Street Rehabilitation within the Capital Projects Fund (Fund 74)
  - \$1,200,000 Infrastructure Funds (Fund 11) from Project 44400 Street Reconstruction, Rehabilitation and Repair to Project Firethorne Area Street Rehabilitation within the Capital Projects Fund (Fund 74)
  - \$605,000 Measure M2 Funds (Fund 25) from Project 44400 Street Reconstruction, Rehabilitation and Repair to Project Firethorne Area Street Rehabilitation within the Capital Projects Fund (Fund 74)
  - \$60,000 Sewer Enterprise Funds (Fund 47) from Project 51419 Annual Sewer Replacement Program to Project 44078 Firethorne Area Street Rehabilitation within the Sewer Enterprise Fund (Fund 47).

3. Award \$1,781,470 construction contract to Nieves General Engineering, Inc. for Firethorne Area Street Rehabilitation Project and authorize City Manager, or designee, to execute and administer the contract, in a form approved by the City Attorney.
4. Authorize Director of Public Works, or designee, to approve change orders for construction and professional engineering construction support services within the approved project budget.

#### ALTERNATIVE OPTIONS

- Approve the Proposed Motion
- Reject all bids
- Other options brought by City Council.

#### STAFF RECOMMENDATION

Staff recommends the Proposed Motion.

#### CITY MANAGER REMARKS

None.

#### PRIORITY POLICY STATEMENT

This item matches the following Priority Policy Statement:

- Infrastructure and City Assets.

#### FISCAL IMPACT

The Fiscal Year 2025-26 Adopted Capital Improvement Program (CIP) Budget has sufficient funding for the project provided from General Funds (Fund 10), Infrastructure Funds (Fund 11), Measure M2 Funds (Fund 25) and Sewer Enterprise Funds (Fund 47). Staff recommends the following budget transfers and appropriation:

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Staff attached a Budget Data Sheet / Summary of Bids and the Contractor Bid Schedule for reference (Attachments 1 and 2).

## BACKGROUND AND DISCUSSION

This project rehabilitates 1.5 miles of deteriorated residential streets located near Beechwood Elementary School and repairs deteriorated and damaged curbs, gutters, sidewalks and driveways, installs ADA access ramps and maintains a sewer manhole. Staff opted to use asphalt concrete pavement grind and overlay for street pavement rehabilitation based on multiple factors, including the project pavement investigation, pavement conditions, traffic volume, existing pavement section, construction operations and available budget. The pavement condition index (PCI) scores, shown in Attachment 3, range from 13 to 38 (Very Poor condition) and would reset to 100 (Very Good condition) after completing improvements.

The City received ten bids on April 8, 2026, with Nieves General Engineering, Inc. of Santa Ana submitting the lowest responsible base bid totaling \$1,712,240. The low bid submitted is approximately 23.6% lower than the \$2,242,000 engineers estimate due to lower-than-expected asphalt concrete pricing. This project included an optional bid alternate item to reconstruct four commercial driveways. The submitted cost utilizing the option bid item totals \$1,781,470. Staff reviewed the bid and found it acceptable. The contractor would execute the standard City CIP Agreement.

Staff scheduled construction during the Beechwood Elementary School summer recess and would notify nearby residents and businesses of upcoming project construction and potential impacts.

Staff prepared an environmental assessment in accordance with California Environmental Quality Act Guidelines and determined that the project is categorically exempt.

### Attachments:

- Attachment 1 – Budget Data / Summary of Bids
- Attachment 2 – Bid Schedule
- Attachment 3 – Project Location Map

cc: City Manager Eddie Manfro