



Agenda Report

Fullerton City Council

MEETING DATE: SEPTEMBER 21, 2021

TO: CITY COUNCIL / SUCCESSOR AGENCY

SUBMITTED BY: STEVE DANLEY, ACTING CITY MANAGER

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SUBJECT: CURB / GUTTER AND SIDEWALK RECONSTRUCTION
PROJECT FISCAL YEAR 2020-21

SUMMARY

Award \$355,980 construction contract to Martinez Concrete, Inc. for the Curb / Gutter and Sidewalk Reconstruction Project FY 2020-21.

RECOMMENDATION

1. Approve plans and specifications for Curb / Gutter and Sidewalk Reconstruction Project FY 2020-21.
2. Award \$355,980 construction contract to Martinez Concrete, Inc. for the Curb / Gutter and Sidewalk Reconstruction Project FY 2020-21, in a form approved by the City Attorney.
3. Appropriate receipt and use of SiFi Networks funds for cost differential between base bid costs and final bid alternative costs.
4. Authorize Public Works Director to approve any future change orders for construction and professional engineering construction support services within the approved project budget.

PRIORITY POLICY STATEMENT

This item matches the following Priority Policy Statement/s:

- Infrastructure and City Assets.

FISCAL IMPACT

The City received eleven bids on August 18, 2021 for the Curb / Gutter and Sidewalk Reconstruction Project FY 2020-21. Martinez Concrete Inc. submitted the lowest responsible base bid in the amount of \$270,400. The low bid, as submitted, is approximately two percent below the \$275,000 engineer's estimate. Staff has reviewed the bid documents and considers the bid acceptable.

The bid documents stated that the City will award the contract on the base bid amount but the bid also included bid alternatives related to SiFi Network fiber optic facilities. This bid will implement the bid alternatives, raising the contract amount to \$355,980.

SiFi Networks provide an initial \$85,580 payment to the City to provide for the cost differential between the base bid costs and bid alternative costs. The final reimbursement amount will depend on actual quantities measured in the field.

The Drainage Capital Outlay fund, included in the adopted budget, will provide primary funding for this project. The SiFi Network reimbursement will cover the remaining project balance. Staff has attached the Budget Data Sheet / Summary of Bids for reference (Attachment 1).

DISCUSSION

The Curb / Gutter and Sidewalk Reconstruction Project (Project No. 44792) FY 2020-21 is an annual project to repair damaged curb and gutter, sidewalks and driveways and install access ramps at various locations throughout the city.

The vast majority of the work consists of curb and gutter and sidewalk repair. Staff determines the locations of replacement by a combination of resident requests, information from the Public Works – Maintenance Department and staff observations. The City completes repairs in chronological order based on the request date and in coordination with other street rehabilitation CIP projects. This project will not complete all the repair locations currently on the list.

Staff determines access ramp locations based on requests from disabled residents needing improved access to public sidewalks. Staff identifies these locations as deficient and improves accessibility and safety.

This is the first Curb / Gutter and Sidewalk Reconstruction Project involving repair to curb and gutter with SiFi Network fiber optic facilities located immediately adjacent to the edge of the gutter. The City has bid the Curb / Gutter and Sidewalk project with bid alternatives per the December 18, 2020 Statement of Principles between SiFi Networks and the City of Fullerton. The base bid does not require the City's contractor to protect SiFi's conflicting facilities, whereas the bid alternatives obligate the City's contractor to undertake reasonable steps to protect SiFi's conflicting facilities. SiFi Networks has elected to utilize the bid alternatives which protect its facilities in place and therefore pay the incremental cost increases. Staff has made the contractor aware of the bid alternatives to construct in the field.

The tentative construction start date is November 2021 with an anticipated project completion in January 2022.

Staff has prepared an environmental assessment in accordance with the 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 – Standard Contract / Agreement