

DATE:	September 19, 2017
то:	Mayor and City Council
FROM:	Director of Public Works
SUBJECT	FY 2017 Sidewalk Tripping Hazards Removal Project – Adoption of Resolution Authorizing the City Manager to Execute a Purchase Order Contract with BPR, Inc.

RECOMMENDATION

That Council adopts the attached resolution (Attachment II) authorizing the City Manager to negotiate and execute a Purchase Order contract with BPR, Inc. for the FY 2017 Sidewalk Tripping Hazards Removal Project.

BACKGROUND

The City's annual Sidewalk Rehabilitation Program has two components. One is the removal of tripping hazards caused by sidewalk displacements or offsets that are less than one and three-quarter (1 ³/₄) inches. These hazards are removed by saw cutting or grinding the uplifted sidewalk panel across the width of the sidewalk to produce a smooth and uniform surface that meets ADA slope requirements. The trip hazard removal is performed under a purchase order contract following a Request for Proposal (RFP) that is sent to contractors who do this type of work. The other component of the program removes and replaces, with new concrete, all sidewalk displacements exceeding 1 ³/₄ inches. This work is performed under a separate public bid contract process.

Each year, \$200,000 of the Sidewalk Rehabilitation Program budget is used for removing tripping hazards along the City's sidewalks. The RFP sought a contractor that would complete the work at the least possible unit price per location to maximize the number of locations to be repaired.

DISCUSSION

On July 11, 2017, the City's Purchasing Division sent an RFP to nine (9) contractors that perform concrete grinding and saw cutting work. Three (3) contractors responded with BPR, Inc. submitting the low price of \$26.90 per location, which is 7% below the engineer's estimate of \$29.00. The second low bid submitted was in the amount of \$27.71 per location.

This year's Sidewalk Trip Removal Program will remove tripping hazards in the Tennyson Road South (District 6) and the Winton Grove Thelma Neighborhood (District 9) (See Attachment III). Approximately 6,900 locations of uplifted sidewalks will be repaired with this project. Because a preliminary inspection of streets within these two districts indicates that there will be fewer than 6,900 locations requiring repairs, repairs may be conducted in Schafer Park and Fairway Park Rancho Verde (Districts 4 and 5) to the extent possible.

All bid documents and licenses are in order. Staff recommends award of contract to the low bidder, BPR, Inc.

STRATEGIC PRIORITIES

This agenda item supports the Complete Streets Strategic Initiative. The purpose of the Complete Streets initiative is to build streets that are safe, comfortable, and convenient for travel for everyone, regardless of age or ability, including motorists, pedestrians, bicyclists, and public transportation riders. This item supports the following goals and objective:

Goal 1:	Prioritize safety for all modes of travel.
Objective 3:	Ensure that roadway construction and retrofit programs and projects include complete streets elements.
Goal 2:	Provide Complete Streets that balance the diverse needs of users of the public right-of-way.
Objective 1:	Increase walking, biking, transit usage, carpooling and other sustainable modes of transportation by designing and retrofitting streets to accommodate all modes.

FISCAL IMPACT

The estimated project costs are as follows:

Construction Contract	\$200,000
Design, Inspections & Construction Administration	\$25,000
TOTAL	\$225,000

The Adopted FY 2017 Capital Improvement Program (CIP) includes \$960,000 for the Sidewalk Rehabilitation Project in the Street System Improvements Fund. \$225,000 of this budget will be used to fund this project. The balance will be used for the FY 2017 Sidewalk Rehabilitation Project.

SUSTAINABILITY FEATURES

This project requires that all material generated during sidewalk demolition be sent to designated facilities for recycling. Recycled Portland Cement Concrete will be used as aggregate base for the concrete curb, gutter and sidewalk on other City projects. The improvements made to the sidewalks will encourage the public to walk more as opposed to

driving their vehicles. This reduces both carbon emissions and carbon footprints, which is beneficial for the environment.

This project is categorically exempt from environmental review pursuant to Section 15301(c) of the CEQA Guidelines in that it is a project consisting of repair, maintenance or minor alteration of existing structures or facilities and involves negligible or no expansion of the existing use.

PUBLIC CONTACT

The contractor will send notices to property owners adjacent to the work area at least seventy-two (72) hours in advance of the start of work.

NEXT STEPS

Begin Work Complete Work September 18, 2017 January 31, 2018

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