

DATE: February 25, 2020

TO: Mayor and City Council

FROM: Director of Public Works

SUBJECT: Adopt a Resolution Approving Plans and Specifications, and Call for Bids for the

FY 2020 Sidewalk Rehabilitation Project No. 05285

RECOMMENDATION

That Council adopts a Resolution (Attachment II) approving the plans and specifications for the FY20 Sidewalk Rehabilitation Project and calls for bids to be received on March 24, 2020.

SUMMARY

This agenda item related to the continuation of the City's Annual Sidewalk Repair Program that began in 2001. Typically, two districts per year are covered under this program. Districts 7 (Calaroga Area) and 10 (Santa Clara Area) will be the focus of this year's program to address continuous repair improvement needs. Portions of Districts 4 (Schafer Park) and 5 (Fairway Park Rancho Verde Area), which were not completed as part of last year's program, will also be included in this project. Attachment III depicts the districts covered in this year's project.

BACKGROUND

The Sidewalk Rehabilitation Program for the repair of damaged concrete sidewalks consists of two components. The first one is the removal of tripping hazards from sidewalk displacements or offsets up to 1% 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 Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) slope requirements. This trip hazard removal is performed under a separate contract. Under that contract, the contractor submits a report to the City identifying the locations of sidewalk offsets that cannot be repaired by saw cutting or grinding because they are greater than 1% inches. This list is utilized in determining which locations will be included as part of the second component of the program.

The second component of the Sidewalk Rehabilitation Program, which is the subject of this report, removes and replaces, with new concrete, all sidewalk displacements exceeding 1¾ inches. To facilitate the selection of sidewalk areas for repairs each year, the City is divided into ten districts (Attachment IV). Each year, work is performed in two districts; however, this year the work will be performed in four districts to include locations in the two districts from last year's project that did not get repaired due to funding constraints.

DISCUSSION

This year's program will repair damaged sidewalks in the Calaroga Area, District 7 and the Santa Clara Area, District 10 along with locations in Schafer Park Area, District 4 and Fairway Park Rancho Verde Area, District 5 (Attachment III). The project includes repair of approximately 11,200 square feet of offset or raised concrete curbs and gutters in 150 separate locations, tree trimming, root pruning of existing trees and planting of new trees. As part of the project, the contractor will retain an arborist to examine the condition of existing trees and inspect all root-pruning work. Based on the preliminary inspection, staff anticipates removing one tree and planting thirty new trees in various locations. New trees will be planted where street trees are absent or where an existing tree must be removed because of disease or because it is in danger of falling.

Pursuant to Section 5610 of the California Street and Highway Code, property owners are responsible for repairing damaged sidewalks in front of their properties. Under the City's program, property owners with damaged sidewalk are given the choice of completing the work themselves or having the repairs undertaken by the City's contractor for a nominal fee of \$550 per property.

In order that all sidewalks within the City are repaired, commercial and investment property owners are given the option to fix damaged sidewalk fronting their property themselves or having the City fix it at the actual contract bid price. These property owners shall be charged for the exact square footage of the damaged sidewalk repair at the actual bid price received from the low bidder in the Construction Contract.

This project is categorically exempt under the California Environmental Quality Act, Section 15301(c) that covers the operation, repair, maintenance or minor alteration of existing streets, sidewalks, and gutters.

FISCAL IMPACT

The estimated project costs are as follows:

Contract Construction	\$ 398,500
Trip Hazard Removal (under a separate contract)	50,788
Design and Administration	80,081
Construction Survey, Inspection, and Testing	120,000
TOTAL	\$ 649,369

The Adopted FY20 Capital Improvement Program (CIP) includes \$600,000 for the Sidewalk Rehabilitation Project in the Street System Improvements Fund, and \$49,369 rolled over from the previous year's sidewalk repair budget fund for this project. The total appropriation is \$649,369, so there will be no additional impact to the City's General Fund anticipated with this action.

The City anticipates potential reimbursement from property owners for the sidewalk rehabilitation of up to approximately \$124,000.

STRATEGIC ROADMAP

This agenda item is a routine operational item and does not relate to any of the six priorities outlined in the Council's Strategic Roadmap.

SUSTAINABILITY FEATURES

This project requires that all material generated during construction and demolition be sent to designated facilities for recycling. Recycled Portland Cement Concrete will be required for use as aggregate base for the concrete curb, gutter and sidewalk. 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.

PUBLIC CONTACT

Owners of the affected properties will receive certified letters regarding the program along with a response form to return to the City indicating their choice to complete the repairs themselves, or pay the \$550 fee for a single family homes or actual repair cost for the commercial and investment properties to have the City complete the work. Property owners have the option of paying the fee in one lump sum or in twelve monthly payments. The response form also includes a list of trees that an owner can choose from for a replacement tree. Before construction commences, a second notice will be sent to all property owners who did not respond to the first notice to assure they are aware of the program.

NEXT STEPS

The estimated schedule for this project is as follows:

Received Bids March 24, 2020
Award of Contract April 28, 2020
Begin Construction May 26, 2020
Complete Construction July 21, 2020

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