



STAFF REPORT
11/18/2020

TO: Honorable Mayor and City Council Members

FROM: Andrew Simmons, P.E., City Engineer; Celina Jimenez, Grants Manager;
Gabriel Martin, Economic Development Director

SUBJECT: Construction Contract with C.S. Legacy, Inc. in the amount of \$4,258,602 and an amount of \$425,860 for contingency for the construction of the Grapefruit Urban Greening + Connectivity Project – City Project ST-123.

STAFF RECOMMENDATION:

Contingent upon approval of the reimbursement agreement by the CVAG Executive Committee on December 7, 2020, Staff recommends the City Council to:

- Authorize the City Manager to execute a construction contract with C.S. Legacy, Inc. in the amount of \$4,258,602 and an amount of \$425,860 for contingency for the construction of the Grapefruit Urban Greening + Connectivity Project – City Project ST-123.
- Authorize the City Manager to execute a contract for construction materials and quality assurance testing with Atlas Engineering (On-Call Consultant) in the amount of \$25,860.

BACKGROUND:

On November 2, 2018, the City of Coachella received a \$3.19 million dollar grant from the California Natural Resources Agency (CNRA) for the Grapefruit Urban Greening + Connectivity Project. The City's grant was the largest distributed by the CNRA's Urban Greening Program, its purpose is to enhance and create sustainable green spaces and reduce greenhouse gas emissions. This project will create a pleasant, safe, artful and walkable roadway in the Pueblo Viejo Downtown District. The route will connect the key assets and activity centers in the community, including the transportation center, schools, parks, library, post office, the senior center, restaurants, and more:

- ✓ The project will plant a total of 288 trees: 144 on each side of Grapefruit Boulevard
- ✓ 1,100 native, drought-tolerant and low-water plantings
- ✓ Install Security Lighting
- ✓ Construct Class II Bicycle Lanes
- ✓ Bio-swales
- ✓ Wayfinding Signage
- ✓ Drinking Fountains
- ✓ Shaded Structures with benches, bicycle racks + bike repair kiosk

On October 9, 2019, the City Council approved a professional services agreement with NV5 to develop final plans, specifications and estimates for the Grapefruit Blvd Urban Greening + Connectivity Project in the amount of \$330,000.

DISCUSSION/ANALYSIS:

The City requested public bids in accordance with City standards and in compliance with the California Public Contract Code. On September 1, 2020, the City issued the Notice Inviting Bids with a mandatory job walk held on September 9, 2020. The project bid opening was held on October 7, 2020 at 2:00 pm, with four companies submitting bids for this project. The bid opening results are listed below:

Company Name:	Result:	Bid Amount:
C.S. Legacy Construction, Inc.	Responsive	\$4,258,602
Urban Habitat	Non-Compliant	\$4,372,594
All American Asphalt	Non-Compliant	\$4,799,156
Granite Construction	Responsive	\$4,887,884

Staff has reviewed the bids and has determined that C.S. Legacy Construction, Inc. is the lowest responsive, responsible bidder. However, due to the current high construction cost from the COVID-19 pandemic, the project budget exceed the amount of grant funds received:

Project Item:	Project Cost:	Project Revenue:
Architectural Design – NV5	\$333,000	
Construction – C.S. Legacy Construction, Inc.	\$4,258,602	
Geotechnical Survey – Sladden Engineering	\$7,000	
Construction Contingency (10%)	\$400,000	
ATLAS Engineering materials testing	\$25,860	
TOTAL PROJECT COST:	\$5,024,462	
CA Natural Resources Agency - Grant		\$3,189,153
PROJECT COST DIFFERENCE:	\$1,835,309	

On October 21, 2020, the City submitted a letter to Mr. Tom Kirk, Executive Director of the Coachella Valley Association of Governments (CVAG) for a request for a reimbursement agreement between CVAG and the City of Coachella to improve Grapefruit Blvd between Leoco Lane and 9th Street. In the letter, Staff determined that the construction management, contingencies and engineering and soils are proportioned 60% towards Urban Greening Elements (CNRA) and 40% towards Transportation Corridor Elements. As shown in the table below, the total amount of funding required is in the amount of **\$5,024,462**. The total cost of Urban Greening elements is **\$2,881,793**, and the total cost of transportation corridor elements is **\$2,142,669**.

Total project Cost = \$5,024,462				
		CNRA	CVAG (75%)	CITY (25%)
Urban Greening Elements	\$2,881,793	\$2,881,793		

Transportation Corridor Elements	\$2,142,669	\$307,360	\$1,376,482	\$458,827
Totals:	\$5,024,462	\$3,189,153	\$1,376,482	\$458,827

The **\$2,142,669** transportation corridor element costs will be split with CNRA contributing the remainder of their grant funds, **\$307,360**, and the remaining balance, **\$1,835,309** being split 75% towards CVAG (**\$1,376,482**) and 25% towards the City (**\$458,827**).

On November 2, 2020, CVAG Transportation Committee approved a Reimbursement Agreement with the City of Coachella in an amount not-to-exceed \$1,376,484 in regional funds for transportation improvements to Grapefruit Boulevard between Leoco Lane and 9th Street (Item 6c), contingent upon approval of the reimbursement agreement by the CVAG Executive Committee on December 7, 2020.

The City of Coachella’s 25% contribution of \$458,827 will be allocated from Fund 127, Street and Transportation Development Impact Fees (DIF). Contingent upon approval of the reimbursement agreement by the CVAG Executive Committee on December 7, 2020, Staff recommends awarding the construction contract to C.S. Legacy Construction, Inc.

ALTERNATIVES:

1. City Council rejects all bids and directs Staff to reduce the scope and redesign the project to stay within the CNRA grant award amount.

FISCAL IMPACT:

The Grapefruit Blvd Urban Greening + Connectivity Project (ST-123) will be appropriated with the following allocations:

- CNRA - \$3,189,153
- CVAG - \$1,376,482
- Coachella Fund 127 - \$458,827
- Total: \$5,024,462

These appropriations will replace current budgeted appropriations adopted in the 20/21 CIP budget.

ATTACHMENT(S):

1. Construction Contract – C.S. Legacy Construction, Inc.
2. CVAG Transportation Committee Approval – Item 6c
3. Bid Summary – ST-123