



City of Grass Valley City Council Agenda Action Sheet

Title: 2023 Sewer Main Replacement Project - Authorization to Award Contract

CEQA: Exempt - Section 15301 "Existing Facilities"

Recommendation: That Council: 1) approve the findings that the project is categorically exempt from the provisions of the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA), 2) authorize the City Engineer to award a construction contract to McIntosh Equipment, 3) authorize the Mayor to execute the construction contract, subject to legal review and, 4) authorize the City Engineer to approve construction change orders for up to 10% of the contract amount.

Prepared by: Bjorn P. Jones, PE, City Engineer

Council Meeting Date: 07/11/2023

Date Prepared: 07/06/2023

Agenda: Consent

Background Information: The 2023 Sewer Main Replacement Project involves sewer main line, manhole and cleanout replacements, along with associated hot mix asphalt pavement improvements. Three sewer line segments were included for replacement, located on Miners Trail, Hocking Avenue, and Jan Road.

Four bids were opened and received on June 20, 2023. A bid summary is attached. Staff reviewed the low bid of \$279,060 submitted by McIntosh Equipment and after consultation with legal counsel, determined the bid to be complete and responsible. During review, minor inaccuracies on the proposal form of McIntosh Equipment were noted and included the failure to check a certification box and a mathematical error in the Bid Items cost breakdown. Using specifications provided in the proposal documents to resolve the numerical discrepancy, the total bid cost should have read \$279,060, while \$279,000 was listed on the proposal form. As the next closest bid totaled \$401,250, the error does not affect McIntosh's status as the low bidder.

Staff believes that the minor irregularities are inadvertent errors, inconsequential in nature and do not fundamentally change the bid proposal or in any way provide a competitive advantage to the low bidder. The allowable bid protest period expired on June 23, 2023 and no protests were received.

The sewer facilities improvements associated with this project are exempt from environmental review pursuant to Section 15301 "Existing Facilities" of the CEQA Guidelines.

Staff requests that Council waive the Proposal form irregularities discussed and authorize the City Engineer to award a contract for the 2023 Sewer Main Replacement Project to McIntosh Equipment in the amount of \$279,060.

Council Goals/Objectives: The 2023 Sewer Main Replacement Project executes portions of work tasks towards achieving/maintaining Strategic Plan - Water & Wastewater Systems & Underground Infrastructure

Fiscal Impact: The project is fully funded with Sewer Rate Funds

Funds Available: Yes

Account #: 300-406-66820

Reviewed by: _____ City Manager