

STAFF REPORT

CITY OF GREEN COVE SPRINGS, FLORIDA

TO: City Council Regular Session. **MEETING DATE:** June 6, 2023

FROM: Mike Null, Asst. City Manager

SUBJECT: City Council Approval to withdraw award of the West St project, Bid 2023-06, to

EltonAlan, Inc. and reject all bids. Mike Null

BACKGROUND

City staff accepted bids for the West St CDBG drainage improvements on April 10, 2023 and we received (2) bids. One was from EltonAlan @ a Cost of \$ 2,176,936.00 as low bid and we received a bid from DB Civil Construction, LLC @ a cost of \$2,699,650.00 and these bids came in more than budgeted cost of \$1,018,000.00.

At the May 16, 2023 City Council meeting, Council followed the recommendation of the design engineer as well as city staff and awarded the bid to EltonAlan, Inc. Since then, EltonAlan has informed the city that they need to withdraw their bid because their pipe subcontractor will be unable to perform the project and they cannot find another sub within their bid budget. Staff failed to require a bid bond for this project, so we have no recourse.

During this process some items were raised that could use some clarification on the bid documents. Staff is working with the engineer to update the bid plans to help clarify these items. The plan is to have these plans updated then approved by DEO (due to the CDBG funding component) and back out to bid within two months. It may also work out that the sidewalk project portion of the CDBG grant will be designed by then and we can bid them both as the same project and gain some economies of scale. The new bid will include a bid bond security.

FISCAL IMPACT

N/A

RECOMMENDATION

Approve the withdrawal of award of the West St project, Bid 2023-06, to EltonAlan, Inc. and reject all bids.