



STAFF REPORT

MEETING DATE: January 11, 2022

PRESENTER: Jerry Jones, City Engineer

SUBJECT: Award of Contract for the Hart Ranch Community Park Orchard Removal to JFS Enterprises, Inc. (JJ)

RECOMMENDATION: Council by motion adopt the resolution awarding the contract for the Hart Ranch Community Park Orchard Removal to JFS Enterprises, Inc. in the amount of \$50,000.00 and authorize the City Manager to sign the contract.

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY:

Hart Ranch Community Park, formerly referred to as Eastside Community Park, will be located at the northeast corner of Goldenrod Avenue and California Avenue. The property currently is occupied by a plum orchard that has been farmed in prior years by the previous property owner, through a lease with the City. In anticipation of the upcoming development of the Park, the orchard needs to be removed. The City requested bids for the orchard removal in October 2022 and no bids were received by the due date of November 2, 2022. Per the California Public Contract Code and the Kerman Municipal Code, when no bids are received after completing a formal or informal bid process, then the City can move forward with the work through use of its own forces or through a negotiated contract. The City does not have the staff or equipment to perform this work, so Staff moved forward with negotiating a contract with a contractor. Staff was able to obtain quotes from three contractors and they are as follows:

| Contractor | Base Bid |
|------------------------|-------------|
| Lawrence Custom Ag LLC | \$31,300.00 |
| JFS Enterprises, Inc. | \$50,000.00 |
| A. Nonini Ag Services | \$54,600.00 |

Although the quote received from Lawrence Custom Ag is substantially lower, they do not provide haul away of the wood chips. The City would have to enter into a contract with a 3rd party to perform haul away services. Due to this, Staff recommends that the contract be awarded to JFS Enterprises, Inc.

FISCAL IMPACT:

The orchard removal will be funded with Measure M and/or Park Development Impact Fees allocated to the development of the Park.

ATTACHEMENT:

A. Resolution