



Staff Report

RESOLUTION APPROVING PLANS AND SPECIFICATIONS, AUTHORIZING ADVERTISEMENT FOR SEALED BIDS, APPROVING AWARD OF CONTRACT TO THE LOWEST RESPONSIBLE BIDDER FOR AN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$139,000, APPROVING A CONSTRUCTION CONTINGENCY NOT TO EXCEED \$13,900 AND AUTHORIZING THE CITY MANAGER TO EXECUTE A CONTRACT FOR THE MARBURGER AVENUE ROAD REPAIR PROJECT, CITY CONTRACT NUMBER 499

Honorable Mayor and Council Members:

Summary

The Department of Public Works staff requests the City Council to authorize advertisement and award of the Marburger Avenue Road Repair Project, City Contract Number 499.

Background

During the winter of 2005-2006, the north side of Marburger Avenue near 3135 Marburger Avenue dropped and the movement has progressively worsened since. The surface expression of the movement is a landslide headscarp which is approximately 50 feet wide. The headscarp is currently encroaching in the street and causing failure of the edge of the road. The roadway width has been reduced to approximately 10 to 12 feet in some locations.

A geotechnical study was recently performed by Cal Engineering and Geology (CEG), a copy of which is Attachment B. The report was peer-reviewed by a second consultant, who agreed with the recommendations for the preferred repair. Construction of the repair is subject to the City obtaining a subsurface easement from the uphill property owner, which is in progress.

The only existing utility located within the road near the slide is the City of Belmont sanitary sewer line.

Discussion

Repair of Marburger Avenue in the vicinity of 3135 Marburger Avenue will be accomplished by construction of a tieback retaining wall to permanently stabilize the north side of the roadway. An approximate 100 foot long segment of the roadway located adjacent to the new retaining wall will be paved with asphalt concrete.

The Public Works Department has completed the design for the Marburger Avenue Road Repair Project. In order to meet the timeline for this project to be completed prior to the November 15 grading moratorium, the construction contract must be awarded by September 8, 2009.

General Plan/Vision Statement

The Marburger Road Repair Project, City Contract Number 499 work is consistent with the General Plan Public Facilities and Services Goals Section (Paragraph 2041), which states: “To provide public services at a level adequate to ensure public safety, health and welfare at the lowest possible cost; to establish and maintain all essential public services and facilities in a manner that ensures continued operation in time of emergency.”

Fiscal Impact

The engineer's estimated cost for City Contract Number 499 is \$139,000 and will be funded by Account 234-3-730-3205-9030 and 234-3-730-3112-9030. An additional 10% contingency shall be allocated for the project.

Public Contact

Publication and posting of City Council agenda.

Recommendation

It is recommended that the City Council approve plans and specifications, authorizing advertisement for sealed bids, approving award of contract to the lowest responsible bidder for an amount not to exceed \$139,000, approving a construction contingency not to exceed \$13,900 and authorizing the City Manager to execute a contract for the Marburger Avenue Road Repair Project- City Contract Number 499.

Alternatives

1. Take no action.
2. Refer back to staff for further information.

Attachments

- A. Resolution
- B. Cal Engineering and Geology Report dated May 18, 2009

Respectfully submitted,

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RESOLUTION NO. _____

RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF BELMONT APPROVING PLANS AND SPECIFICATIONS, AUTHORIZING ADVERTISEMENT FOR SEALED BIDS, APPROVING AWARD OF CONTRACT TO THE LOWEST RESPONSIBLE BIDDER FOR AN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$139,000, APPROVING A CONSTRUCTION CONTINGENCY NOT TO EXCEED \$13,900 AND AUTHORIZING THE CITY MANAGER TO EXECUTE A CONTRACT FOR THE MARBURGER AVENUE ROAD REPAIR PROJECT, CITY CONTRACT NUMBER 499

WHEREAS, during the 2005-2006 winter, the north side of Marburger Avenue near 3135 Marburger Avenue dropped; and,

WHEREAS, the roadway width has been reduced to approximately 10 to 12 feet in some locations; and,

WHEREAS, the only existing utility located within the road near the slide is the City of Belmont sanitary sewer line; and,

WHEREAS, staff has completed the design of the Marburger Avenue Road Repair Project; and,

WHEREAS, the proposed project will repair Marburger Avenue in the vicinity of 3135 Marburger Avenue by construction of a tieback retaining wall to permanently stabilize the north side of the roadway; and,

WHEREAS, an approximate 100 foot long segment of the roadway located adjacent to the new retaining wall will be paved with asphalt concrete; and,

WHEREAS, the funds for the Marburger Avenue Road Repair Project have been budgeted in Fiscal Year 2010.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the City Council of the City of Belmont:

1. Approves City Contract Number 499 plans and specifications, contingent on the city obtaining a subsurface easement as recommended by CEG.
2. Authorizes advertisement for sealed bids for this work.
3. Approves the award of the contract to the lowest responsible bidder for an amount not to exceed \$139,000, and approves a ten percent construction contingency not to exceed \$13,900.
4. Authorizes the City Manager to execute a contract to the lowest responsible bidder.
5. Funding shall be from the FY 2009 budget, project account 234-3-730-3205-9030 and 234-3-730-3112-9030.

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I hereby certify that the foregoing Resolution was duly and regularly passed and adopted by the City Council of the City of Belmont at a regular meeting thereof held on August 11, 2009.

AYES, COUNCILMEMBERS: _____

NOES, COUNCILMEMBERS: _____

ABSTAIN, COUNCILMEMBERS: _____

ABSENT, COUNCILMEMBERS: _____

CLERK of the City of Belmont

APPROVED:

MAYOR of the City of Belmont