



AGENDA MEMORANDUM

Future Item for the City Council Meeting of July 14, 2015
Action Item for the City Council Meeting of July 21, 2015

DATE: July 10, 2015

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Execute Construction Contract

Community Park Development & Improvements at La Retama Park

CAPTION:

Ordinance appropriating \$70,000 of anticipated revenues from the Regional Transportation Authority (RTA); appropriating \$20,000 of anticipated revenues from the Corpus Christi Downtown Management District (CCDMD) in Fund No. 3280 for the Community Park Development and Improvements at La Retama Park; changing the FY 2015 Capital Improvement Budget adopted by Ordinance No. 030303 to increase revenues and expenditures by \$90,000; authorizing the City Manager or designee to execute an Interlocal Cooperation Agreement with the RTA; execute an Interlocal Cooperation Agreement with CCDMD for the Improvements at La Retama Park; and authorizing the City Manager or designee to execute a construction contract with McNamee Landscapes and Nursery, LLC. of Taft, Texas in the amount of \$173,590 for the Community Park Development and Improvements at La Retama Park for the Base Bid and Additive Alternate 1 (Bond 2012 and Bond 2014).

PURPOSE:

The purpose of this Agenda Item is to appropriate contributions, approve interlocal agreements and execute a construction contract for the Community Park Development & Improvements at La Retama Park as a jointly funded project.

BACKGROUND AND FINDINGS:

This project upgrades the existing landscape of La Retama Park from softscape to hardscape to better support the current park uses and reduce maintenance requirements and cost.

La Retama Park is a triangular shaped park that is centrally located downtown just below the bluff transition to uptown. The park is bounded by Peoples, Schatzell and N. Mesquite. The Downtown Management District (DMD) uses this park for cultural events such as the monthly Downtown Artwalk where the majority of the vendors set up in the park with a small concrete slab at the east end used as the stage. The increased foot traffic and activities create excessive cost for maintenance and restoration of the grassed areas.

This project provides the hardscape improvements to address this and to provide aesthetic enhancements with amenities for continued use as an outdoor venue.

Major elements of this project include:

- Demolition of existing sod and landscaping
- New stabilized decomposed granite surface
- New landscaping & irrigation systems
- New lighting & electrical connections (Additive Alternate)
- New site furnishings (Additive Alternate)
- Drinking Fountain
- French Drain
- Concrete Band
- Park Sign
- Trash/Recycle Receptacles
- Per Litter Station
- Bike Rack
- Historical Marker

On Wednesday, February 25, 2015 the City received proposals from one (1) bidder and the bid is as follows:

Contractor	Base Bid	Add Alt #1	Add Alt #2	Total
McNamee Landscapes and Nursery, LLC. Taft, Texas	\$120,000.00	\$53,590.00	\$32,342.00	\$205,932.00

The City's A/E Consultant, Turner Ramirez Architects recommends a contract be awarded to McNamee Landscapes and Nursery, LLC. of Taft Texas in the amount of \$173,590.00 for the base bid and alternate one. It is the consultant's opinion that based on qualifications from McNamee Landscapes and Nursery their completed projects are commensurate with the complexity and scope of this project. References provided all stated an exceptional level of service.

ALTERNATIVES:

1. Execute the Construction Contract for the Base Bid plus Additive Alternate 1 with McNamee Landscapes and Nursery, LLC.as proposed. (RECOMMENDED)
2. Do not execute the Construction Contract for the Base Bid plus Additive Alternate 1 with McNamee Landscapes and Nursery, LLC. as proposed. (NOT RECOMMENDED)
3. Execute the Construction Contract for the Base Bid and one or both of the additive alternates. (NOT RECOMMENDED)

OTHER CONSIDERATIONS:

This project was approved November 6, 2012 in the Bond Issue 2012 Package under Proposition No. 4 – Parks and Recreation Improvements.

CONFORMITY TO CITY POLICY:

Conforms to statutes regarding Request for Bids process; FY 2014-2015 Capital Budget.

EMERGENCY / NON-EMERGENCY:

Not applicable

DEPARTMENTAL CLEARANCES:

Parks and Recreation

FINANCIAL IMPACT:

Operating Revenue Capital Not applicable

Fiscal Year 2014-2015	Project to Date Expenditures (CIP only)	Current Year	Future Years	TOTALS
Line Item Budget		\$227,640.05		\$227,640.05
Encumbered/Expended Amount				
This item		\$173,590.00		\$173,590.00
Future Anticipated Expenditures This Project		\$54,050.05		\$54,050.05
BALANCE		\$0.00		\$0.00

Fund(s): Parks and Recreation Bond 2012, Downtown Road and Streetscape Improvements 2014, Downtown Management District, Regional Transportation Authority

Comments:

The Construction Contract will result in the expenditure of an amount not to exceed \$173,590.

RECOMMENDATION:

City Staff recommends the approval of the Construction Contract for the Base Bid plus Additive Alternate 1 with McNamee Landscapes and Nursery, LLC.

LIST OF SUPPORTING DOCUMENTS:

Project Budget
Location Map
Presentation
Interlocal Agreement with DMD
Interlocal Agreement with RTA