



CITY COUNCIL STAFF REPORT

MEETING DATE: September 23, 2024

ITEM TITLE: Adopt a Resolution Awarding the Highlands Park Path Project C1811; Authorizing the City Manager to Execute an Agreement with GradeTech, Inc. in the Amount of \$665,299.60; and Authorizing the Expenditure of a 20% Contingency in the Amount of \$133,059.92.

RECOMMENDATION:

Staff recommends that the City Council adopt a Resolution awarding the Highlands Park Path Project C1811 (“Project”), authorizing the City Manager to execute an agreement with GradeTech, Inc. in the amount of \$665,299.60, and authorizing the expenditure of a 20% contingency in the amount of \$133,059.92.

FISCAL IMPLICATIONS:

There are no fiscal impacts and no additional funding is needed at this time.

Funding for the Project comes from C1811, which has an available budget of approximately \$1,002,500 in Fiscal Year (FY) 2024-25. There is sufficient budget to award and complete the Project with contingency.

BACKGROUND:

The asphalt path (“Path”) that connects lower Highlands Park to Coronado Street has been closed indefinitely due to pedestrian safety concerns caused by slope erosion and drainage issues.

The condition of the Path is a liability for the City due to the many cracks, potholes, and root intrusions that may cause trip and fall injuries to the public if not addressed.

The Project will improve pedestrian safety by repairing potholes, removing trees and roots that pose fire hazards, and regrading and repaving the Path. The Project will also install a retaining wall along the edge of the Path, which will improve drainage and advance the City’s open space fire mitigation program.

Staff retained Bellecci & Associates, Inc. (“Consultant”) to provide engineering services and prepare the construction documents. Staff and the Consultant collaborated during the preparation of construction documents to ensure the improvements would not result in any negative impacts.

ANALYSIS:

On August 13, 2024, the City advertised for bids for construction of the Project and bids were opened on September 3, 2024. Bids for the Project were received with the following results:

Contractor	Bid Amount
Engineer's Estimate	\$ 807,840.00
GradeTech, Inc.	\$ 665,299.60
Silicon Valley Paving, Inc.	\$ 916,370.00
S&H Construction, Inc.	\$ 968,600.00
Brannon Corporation	\$ 981,219.00
Michael Glynn Construction Services, Inc	\$1,106,943.92
Granite Rock Company	\$1,216,620.00
Redgwick Construction Co.	\$1,460,670.00
Interstate Grading & Paving, Inc.	\$1,964,115.00

The lowest responsible and responsive bid for the Project was submitted by GradeTech, Inc. in the amount of \$665,299.60.

After bid evaluations, staff recommends awarding the contract to the lowest responsible and responsive bidder identified above and authorizing the expenditure of a 20% contingency.

ALTERNATIVES:

The alternatives available to the City Council include:

1. Adopt a Resolution awarding the Highlands Park Path Project C1811; authorizing the City Manager to execute an agreement with GradeTech, Inc. in the amount of \$665,299.60; and authorizing the expenditure of a 20% contingency in the amount of \$133,059.92; or
2. Do not adopt the Resolution; or
3. Provide staff with alternative direction.

Respectfully submitted by:

Steven Machida, Public Works Director

Approved for submission by:



Jeff Maltbie, City Manager

ATTACHMENT(S):

1. Resolution