



CITY OF GLENDALE, CALIFORNIA REPORT TO THE CITY COUNCIL

AGENDA ITEM

Report: Fiscal Year 2023 Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) Curb Ramp Installation and Sidewalk Repair Program

- 1) Motion awarding a construction contract to Vart Construction, Inc. in the amount of \$2,840,591, approving a 15 percent contract contingency in the amount of \$426,089, and authorizing the City Manager or a designee to execute the contract.
- 2) Resolution of appropriation to appropriate funds in the amount of \$1,618,186 for the Fiscal Year 2023 ADA Curb Ramp Installation and Sidewalk Repair Program.

COUNCIL ACTION

Item Type: Consent Calendar

Approved for August 8, 2023 **calendar**

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

On May 31, 2023, three bids were received for the Fiscal Year 2023 ADA Curb Ramp Installation and Sidewalk Repair Program, and after a thorough review, staff found Vart Construction, Inc.'s bid to be a responsive bid from a responsible bidder. This project includes sidewalk repair, accessibility improvements, permeable pavement installations and parking lot reconstructions. The proposed contract with Vart Construction, Inc. will cost \$2,840,591 with a 15 percent contract contingency of \$426,089, totaling \$3,266,680. A resolution of appropriation is needed to appropriate State Gas Tax and Measure W Funds for this project.

COUNCIL PRIORITIES

Mobility/Traffic and Pedestrian Safety: This project will replace damaged sidewalks, construct new ADA compliant curb ramps where none existed and reconstruct existing curb ramps to comply with the latest ADA requirements. This will significantly improve pedestrian access and safety in the project neighborhood.

RECOMMENDATION

Approve the motion authorizing the City Manager to enter into and execute a construction contract with Vart Construction Inc. for the Fiscal Year 2023 ADA Curb Ramp Installation and Sidewalk Repair Program in the amount of \$2,840,591 plus a 15 percent contract contingency of \$426,089 and the resolution of appropriation to appropriate funds in the amount of \$1,618,186 from State Gas Tax Fund and Measure W Fund for the project.

BACKGROUND

As part of the Public Works Department's ongoing efforts to improve the condition of the City's streets, sidewalks, alleys, and parking lots, the plans and specification have been prepared for the Fiscal Year 2023 ADA Curb Ramp Installation and Sidewalk Repair Program. The project consists of four major components as follows:

- 1) Sidewalk repairs and ADA Improvements located at the various areas of the Maintenance District 4, 5, and 7, and intersections of Lexington Drive at Kenwood Street and Howard Street. The scope of the work is as follows:
 - Selective removal, repair, and reconstruction of damaged curbs, gutters, sidewalks, driveways, cross gutters, and alley aprons;
 - Selective removal, repair, and reconstruction of damaged asphalt and Portland cement concrete pavements;
 - Installation of new ADA compliant curb ramps where none existed, and
 - Modification and reconstruction of existing ramps to meet current ADA standards.
- 2) Portland cement concrete street pavement repairs at the following locations:
 - Country Club Drive between Valene Drive and Beaudry Boulevard
 - San Gabriel Avenue between Country Club Drive and Beaudry Boulevard
 - Kirkby Road between North Verdugo Road and Easterly terminus
 - Glenoaks Boulevard west side of the intersection at Chevy Chase Drive
 - Madison Way between South Glendale Avenue and easterly terminus
 - Roads End Drive between South Glendale Avenue and Madison Way
 - Mission Road between South Glendale Avenue and easterly terminus
 - Colby Drive between Heminger Street and Roads End Drive
 - Alley 74 between West Palmer Avenue and East Chevy Chase Drive
 - Alley 41 between West Cypress Street and Magnolia Avenue
 - Alley 39 between West Eulalia Street and West Laurel Street
 - Alley 38 between West Cerritos Avenue and West Eulalia Street
 - Alley 02 between East Harvard Street and East Broadway

- 3) Permeable Alley Pavement Installation at the Alley 28S, located northwest of the Glendale Avenue and Acacia Avenue. The scope of the work for this location includes removal of existing deteriorated asphalt pavement and replacement with a permeable concrete gutter and new asphalt concrete pavement. This will provide a new service life for the alley segment and incorporate stormwater infiltration improvements to capture and treat stormwater runoff and replenish the underground aquifers.
- 4) Parking Lot Reconstruction for the Fire Station No. 23 and Chevy Chase Library, located at 3301 Chevy Chase Drive. The scope of work for this location is as follows:
 - Selective removal, repair, and reconstruction of damaged curbs, gutters, sidewalks, and driveways;
 - Selective removal, repair, and reconstruction of damaged asphalt and Portland cement concrete pavement;
 - Installation of new ADA compliant curb, ramps, and
 - Installation of new parking lot striping, pavement marking, and signage.

ANALYSIS

The City received three bids for all required bid items, and upon review of the bid documents, staff finds the bid of Vart Construction Inc. of \$2,840,591 to be the lowest responsive bid from a responsible bidder. The bid of Vart Construction, Inc. in the amount of \$2,840,591 is approximately 5% below the Engineer's Estimate of \$3,000,000.

In addition, staff recommends a reserve for contingencies in the amount of \$426,089 or 15 percent of the bid amount. The contingency is based on previous experience with projects, and this is in conformance with the nature of this project. This will also allow staff to account for any incidental work, unforeseen field conditions that could be encountered during construction, underground utilities issues that could arise because of the nature of the project, and any resulting field modifications that may be necessary.

The State of California Contractor's State License Board website confirms that the license of Vart Construction, Inc. is current, active, and in good standing. Additionally, staff contacted the references provided by Vart Construction, Inc. and found they had satisfactorily completed the projects. Also, Vart Construction, Inc. has previously completed the Fiscal Year 2019-20 and 2020-21 ADA Curb Ramp Installation and Sidewalk Repair Programs for the City of Glendale in a satisfactory manner.

Furthermore, staff is requesting to budget approximately 10 percent of the construction amount, or \$284,059 for staff who will provide construction management and engineering support services such as project management, project engineering, and construction inspection.

A summary of the project budget is below:

Project Component	Amount
Base Construction Contract	\$2,840,591
Contract Contingency (15%)	\$426,089
Construction Management & Engineering Support (10%)	\$284,059
	\$3,550,739

A resolution of appropriation of \$1,618,186 is needed to provide adequate funding for this project and is recommended to be appropriated from the State Gas Tax and Measure W Funds to be used to make these improvements to the streets, sidewalks, Alley No. 28S, and Fire Station No. 23 parking lot. Previously, staff intended to use Measure S CIP funds for this project but they were diverted to the Community Beautification Project instead.

The construction of this project is anticipated to begin in September 2023 and is scheduled for completion by March 2024.

Project Description:	Fiscal Year 2023 ADA Curb Ramp Installation and Sidewalk Repair Program	
Plans/Specs Adopted:	May 2, 2023	
Advertisement Method:	Bid America, The Blue Book, Construction Bid Board, Construct Connect, Direct Connection, PlanIT Reprographics, Dodge Data & Analytics, Bidnetdirect, Glendale Independent Newspaper, City's website	
Specs Issued:	May 2, 2023 – May 31, 2023	
Bids Opened:	May 31, 2023	
Company Name and Bid Amount:	Vart Construction, Inc.	\$ 2,840,591.00
	Kalban, Inc.	\$ 3,497,892.00
	Toro Enterprises, Inc.	\$ 3,787,959.50
Recommended Contractor(s)	Vart Construction Inc.	
New / Existing Contractor(s):	Existing	
Procurement Method (Bid / SS):	Bid	
Contract Term:	125 Working Days	
Construction Phase Begins:	September 2023	
Construction Phase Ends:	March 2024	

STAKEHOLDERS/OUTREACH

Fiscal Year 2023 ADA Curb Ramp Installation and Sidewalk Repair Program benefits to the community will include the following:

- Improved safety for all users;
- Improved accessibility and walkability throughout the project neighborhoods;
- More walking to improve public health;
- Reduced fuel consumption and vehicle emissions, and
- Greenhouse gas reduction and improved air quality.

Furthermore, outreach on this project continues to occur through a dedicated website for the project. The website page introduces the public to the project and to the project team, explains the scope of work and project locations, and provides the public with staff contact information for questions, discussion and/or input.

FISCAL IMPACT

The construction of the Fiscal Year 2023 ADA Curb Ramp Installation and Sidewalk Repair Program will cost \$3,550,739, a portion of which is a part of the FY 2023-24 budget.

The existing appropriation is outlined below:

Existing Appropriation		
Amount	Account String	Funding Source
\$ 1,699,540	GL: 52100-4020-PWD-0020-P0000 PL: PWD00823AN	State Gas Tax Fund
\$ 233,013	GL:52100-2260-PWD-0020-P0000 PL: PWD00382AN	Measure W Local Fund

The new appropriation request is outlined below:

Requesting Appropriation			
Amount	From (Account String)	To (Account String)	Funding Source
\$1,000,000	GL: 24219-4020-PWD-0000-P0000	GL:52100-4020-PWD-0020-P0000 PL: PWD00823AN	State Gas Tax Fund
\$ 220,709	GL: 52100-4020-PWD-0020-P0000 PL: 51500	GL:52100-4020-PWD-0020-P0000 PL: PWD00823AN	State Gas Tax Fund
\$ 397,477	GL: 52100-2260-PWD-0020-P0000 PL: PWD000094N	GL: 52100-2260-PWD-0020-P0000 PL: PWD00382AN	Measure W Local Fund

ENVIRONMENTAL REVIEW (CEQA/NEPA)

The Project is categorically exempt from environmental review because of CEQA Guidelines §§ 15301.

CAMPAIGN DISCLOSURE

Not Applicable

ALTERNATIVES

- Alternative 1: Approve the motion authorizing the City Manager to execute a construction contract with Vart Construction, Inc., and approve the resolution of appropriation to provide adequate funding for the Fiscal Year 2023 ADA Curb Ramp Installation and Sidewalk Repair Program . This will improve the condition of the City's sidewalks and streets, Fire Station No. 23 parking lot and Alley 28S.
- Alternative 2: Do not approve the motion authorizing the City Manager to execute a contract for the Fiscal Year 2023 ADA Curb Ramp Installation and Sidewalk Repair and do not approve the resolution of appropriation for additional funding. Doing so, however, will not improve the condition of the City's sidewalks and streets, Fire Station No. 23 parking lot pavement and Alley 28S.
- Alternative 3: The City Council may consider any other alternative not proposed by staff.

ADMINISTRATIVE ACTION

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EXHIBITS/ATTACHMENTS

- Exhibit 1: Project Location Map for Fiscal Year 2023 ADA Curb Ramp Installation and Sidewalk Repair Program
- Exhibit 2: Project Location Map for Permeable Pavement Installation at Alley 28S Project
- Exhibit 3: Project Location Map for Fire Station 23 and Chevy Chase Library Parking Lot Reconstruction Project