



CITY OF GLENDALE, CALIFORNIA REPORT TO THE CITY COUNCIL

AGENDA ITEM

Report: Award of a Construction Contract to Jeremy Harris Construction, Inc. for the Brand Park Reservoir Slope Repair Project

1. Motion authorizing the City Manager, or his designee, to enter into and execute a contract with Jeremy Harris Construction, Inc. of Riverside, CA, in the amount of \$198,654 plus a fifteen percent (15%) contingency of \$29,798 for the Brand Park Reservoir Slope Repair Project (Specification No. 3871 and Plan No. 6926-E).

COUNCIL ACTION

Item Type: Consent Calendar

Approved for July 13, 2021 **calendar**

ADMINISTRATIVE ACTION

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RECOMMENDATION

Glendale Water and Power (GWP) respectfully recommends that the City Council authorize the City Manager, or his designee, to enter into and execute a contract with Jeremy Harris Construction, Inc. in the amount of \$198,654 plus a fifteen percent (15%) contingency of \$29,798 for the Brand Park Reservoir Slope Repair Project.

BACKGROUND/ANALYSIS

On August 18, 2020, the City Council approved and adopted Specification No. 3871 and Plan No. 6926-E for the Brand Park Reservoir Slope Repair Project (Project), and directed the City Clerk to advertise for bids. The Glendale water system includes several concrete lined water reservoirs located in ravine type settings with a concrete lined earthen embankment forming the “downstream” end of the reservoir. The reservoirs typically have an access road around the entire perimeter of the reservoir, including the top of the earthen embankment. One reservoir in particular, the Brand Reservoir, has experienced erosion of the edge of the access road on the top of the embankment, as well as erosion of part of the slope immediately below the road.

The proposed work includes repair of the access road and stabilization of the slope immediately below the road. The repair of the road and slope will ensure continued use of the access road and long term stabilization of the slope.

The Notice Inviting Bids (NIB) for the Project was published in the Glendale News Press on September 5th and 12th of 2020. The Project was also advertised on eBidboard, a construction services company, from September 4 - September 30, 2020. In turn, eBidboard, sent the NIB to several other project posting sites that do not require a subscription including: Avis Contractor School, Bid America, Blueprint Express, Construction Data Corp, Contractor’s Information Network, Daily Construction Market Data, Direct Connection and F.W. Dodge. The NIB was also posted on the GWP website.

On September 15, 2020, a mandatory Pre-Bid Meeting and Job Walk were conducted at the project site, when sixteen prospective bidders attended.

On April 6, 2021, the City received five bids as follows:

	Bidder	Bid Amount
1.	Jeremy Harris Construction, Inc.	\$198,654
2.	CEM Construction Corporation, Inc.	\$207,550
3.	Clarke Contracting Corporation	\$270,840
4.	Beador Construction Company Inc.	\$277,300
5.	Hera General Engineering, Inc.	\$327,900

Upon review of the bid documents, GWP staff found Jeremy Harris Construction, Inc. of Riverside, CA, to be the lowest responsive bidder. The bid amount of \$198,654 is 10.5% below the current engineer’s estimate of \$222,000.

Staff recommends a reserve of 15% or \$29,798 for contingencies for the Project. This amount is based on previous experience and is commensurate with the nature and conditions of the Project. It will also allow GWP to account for any incidental work or unforeseen field conditions that could be encountered during construction and the resulting field changes that may be necessary.

Staff checked the State of California Contractor's License Board and found that Jeremy Harris Construction, Inc. has a license that is current, active and in good standing.

Jeremy Harris Construction, Inc. has satisfactorily performed work on similar water facility projects for various utilities in the area. GWP, therefore, recommends the award of the contract to this company. The construction of the project is anticipated to begin in August 2021 and is scheduled for completion by November 2021.

This project is categorically exempt from the requirements of the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA).

FISCAL IMPACT

Funds for this project are available in the GWP Water Division Capital Improvement Program budget for Fiscal Year 2021-22 in Construction Services, Water Depreciation Fund, GWP Projects, WS Slope & Access Road Stabilization Program (52100-5930-GWP-0020-P0000-T0000-F4300).

ALTERNATIVES

Alternative 1: The City Council may choose to authorize the City Manager, or his designee, to enter into a contract with Jeremy Harris Construction, Inc. of Riverside, CA, as recommended herein.

Alternative 2: The City Council may choose to not award the contract as recommended herein, which will result in the postponement of the Brand Park Reservoir Slope Repair.

Alternative 3: The City Council may consider any other alternative not proposed by staff.

CAMPAIGN DISCLOSURE

Not applicable.

EXHIBIT(S)

Exhibit 1: Vicinity Map