

**CITY OF TEMECULA  
AGENDA REPORT**

**TO:** City Manager/City Council

**FROM:** Patrick Thomas, Director of Public Works/City Engineer

**DATE:** October 24, 2023

**SUBJECT:** Award Construction Contract to Loamic Builders, Inc. for the Sidewalks - Old Town Improvements - Additional Streetlights on Moreno Road and Mercedes Street (East of Old Town Front Street), PW22-17

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**RECOMMENDATION:** That the City Council:

1. Award a construction contract to Loamic Builders, Inc. in the amount of \$148,440 for the Sidewalks - Old Town Improvements - Additional Streetlights on Moreno Road and Mercedes Street (East of Old Town Front Street), PW22-17; and
2. Authorize the City Manager to approve construction contract change orders not to exceed the contingency amount of \$14,844.00, which is equal to 10% of the contract amount; and
3. Make a finding that the Sidewalks - Old Town Improvements - Additional Streetlights on Moreno Road and Mercedes Street (East of Old Town Front Street), PW22-17 is exempt from Multiple Species Habitat Conservation Plan fees.

**BACKGROUND:** On September 12, 2023, the City Council approved the project plans and specifications and authorized the Department of Public Works to solicit construction bids for the Sidewalks - Old Town Improvements - Additional Streetlights on Moreno Road and Mercedes Street (East of Old Town Front Street), PW22-17.

The Sidewalks - Old Town Improvements - Additional Streetlights on Moreno Road and Mercedes Street (East of Old Town Front Street) Project will remove and replace three (3) existing substandard streetlights with eight (8) new Old Town style decorative streetlights along and behind the existing sidewalk. The Project improvements are designed in accordance with the Old Town Specific Plan.

The construction contract was publicly advertised between September 19, 2023, and October 5, 2023. On Thursday, October 5, 2023, four bids were electronically received, opened, and the results were publicly posted on the City's online bidding service, PlanetBids.

The results were as follows:

	Contractor	Bid Amount
1.	Loamic Builders, Inc.	\$ 148,440.00
2.	MSL Electric, Inc	\$ 148,900.00
3.	Lekos Electric, Inc.	\$ 149,210.00
4.	California Professional Engineering Inc	\$ 152,700.00

Staff has reviewed the bid proposals and found Loamic Builders, Inc. of Fontana, California to be the lowest responsive bidder. Loamic Builders, Inc. has successfully completed similar projects for various public agencies.

The Engineer's estimate for the project was \$149,960. The specifications allow for Forty-Five (45) working days for construction, which is approximately two months.

The Multiple Species Habitat Conservation Plan (MSHCP) is an element of the Riverside County Integrated Project (RCIP) to conserve open space, nature preserves and wildlife to be set aside in some areas. It is designed to protect over 150 species and conserve over 500,000 acres in Western Riverside County. The City of Temecula is a permittee to the MSHCP and as such is required to abide by the Regional Conservation Authority's (RCA) Fee Remittance and Collection Policy adopted by Resolution 07-04 on September 10, 2007. The RCA is a joint regional authority formed by the County and the Cities to provide primary policy direction for implementation of the MSHCP.

Beginning July 1, 2008, the RCA started requiring that locally funded Capital Improvement Projects contribute applicable MSHCP fees within 90-days of construction contract award. Fees outside the public right of way are calculated on a cost per acre of disturbed area basis, while fees for typical right of way improvements projects are five percent of construction costs. Maintenance only projects, such as this project, are exempt from MHSCP fees.

**FISCAL IMPACT:** The Sidewalks - Old Town Improvements - Additional Streetlights on Moreno Road and Mercedes Street (East of Old Town Front Street) is included in the City's Capital Improvement Program (CIP) Fiscal Years 2024-2028 and is funded with a Community Reinvestment Program Grant and Measure S. Adequate funds are available to cover the estimated construction costs of the contract amount of \$148,440, plus the 10% contingency amount of \$14,844 for a total encumbrance of \$163,284.

**ATTACHMENTS:**

1. Contract
2. Project Location Map
3. Project Description