

**CITY OF TEMECULA
AGENDA REPORT**

TO: City Manager/City Council

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

DATE: January 14, 2020

SUBJECT: Award a Construction Contract to Marina Landscape Inc. for the Expanded Recycled Water Conversion Project, PW17-29

PREPARED BY: Amer Attar, Principal Civil Engineer

RECOMMENDATION: That the City Council:

1. Award a construction contract to Marina Landscape Inc. in the amount of \$329,000 for the Expanded Recycled Water Conversion Project, PW17-29;
2. Authorize the City Manager to approve change orders not to exceed the contingency amount of \$32,900, which is equal to 10% of the Contract amount;
3. Make a finding that the Expanded Recycled Water Conversion Project, PW17-29 is exempt from Multiple Species Habitat Conservation Plan (MSHCP) fees.

BACKGROUND: On July 16, 2015 the City Council approved Resolution 15-41 adopting the Upper Santa Margarita Watershed 2014 Integrated Regional Water Management Plan Update. The purpose of adopting the resolution was to allow the City to work cooperatively to manage local and imported water supplies and to participate as a local agency with Rancho California Water District (RCWD), the County of Riverside, and Riverside County Flood Control and Water Conservation District to be eligible for Proposition 84 grant funding.

In August 2015, RCWD and the City of Temecula submitted a joint project application to the State of California Department of Water Resources (DWR) in response to the Call for Projects for the 2015 Proposition 84 Round 3 Implementation Grant funding program for the Expanded Recycled Water Conversion Project.

On January 13, 2016, Final Awards were announced to include RCWD as an award recipient of \$2,754,121 for the Upper Santa Margarita Watershed, for the San Diego Region. Within the grant agreement between DWR and RCWD, the City of Temecula is identified as one of four program recipients of a grant award in the amount of \$426,028.99, allocated by RCWD to the City of Temecula.

On August 27, 2019 the City Council approved the agreements with Rancho California Water District (RCWD) for recycled water service for the Expanded Recycled Water Conversion Project, PW17-29. On October 22, 2019, the City Council approved the plans and specifications and authorized the Department of Public Works to solicit construction bids for the project.

The Expanded Recycled Water Conversion Project will convert six sites within the City of Temecula from existing potable water irrigation systems to efficient systems approved for distributing recycled water, the installation of purple pipe equipment and correction of system inefficiencies. These sites are as follows:

1. Butterfield Stage Road, De Portola Road to south of Crowne Hill Drive – Crowne Hill
2. Butterfield Stage Road, south of Jerez Lane to south of Royal Crest Place – Crowne Hill
3. Butterfield Stage Road Median, Crowne Hill Drive to north of Jerez Lane– Crowne Hill
4. Butterfield Stage Road Median between De Portola Road and Crown Hill Drive – Crowne Hill
5. Rancho California Road and Margarita Road – Temeku Hills
6. Rancho California Road between Meadows Parkway and Margarita Road – Temeku Hills

The project tasks include, project management, labor compliance, progress reports, design and engineering, CEQA Compliance, permitting, contract administration and construction. This project will reduce the use of potable water, increase overall water savings and enhance energy efficiencies and potentially reduce greenhouse gas emissions.

On Tuesday, December 17, 2019, three bids were received on the City's online bidding service, PlanetBids. The results were as follows:

	Contractor	Bid Amount
1	Marina Landscape, Inc.	\$329,000
2	Southern California Landscape, Inc.	\$392,200
3	T.E. Roberts, Inc.	\$469,800

Staff reviewed the submitted bids and deemed Marina Landscape Inc. to be the lowest responsive bidder. Marina Landscape, Inc. has successfully completed similar projects for various public agencies, including the City of Temecula. The Engineer's estimate for the project was \$348,000. The specifications allow for one hundred (100) working days for construction, which is approximately 5 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 will require 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. Projects, such as this project are exempt from MHSCP fees

FISCAL IMPACT: The Expanded Recycled Water Conversion Project is identified in the City's Capital Improvement Program (CIP) budget for Fiscal Years 2019-2024 and is funded with Measure "S" and the Department of Water Resources (DWR) Proposition 84 Grant. Adequate funds are available in the project accounts to cover the contract amount of \$329,000, plus the 10% contingency amount of \$32,900, for a total amount of \$361,900.

ATTACHMENTS:

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