



City Council Agenda Item Report

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Agenda Item No.

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SUBJECT: Deliberation and possible action on awarding the bid for construction of the Safe Routes to Schools project contingent upon TxDOT approval and authorizing the City Manager to execute the contract.

1. BACKGROUND/HISTORY

The City of Buda applied to the Texas Department of Transportation (TxDOT) for a Safe Routes to Schools (SRTS) grant application in November 2009 in cooperation with the Hays CISD.

The program provides for the construction of sidewalks and associated improvements within 2-miles of the Hays Consolidated Independent School District Buda Area Elementary and Middle Schools. The SRTS program is 100 percent federally funded cost-reimbursement program managed through TxDOT.

2. FINDINGS/CURRENT ACTIVITY

The project was advertised for bids and bids were opened on February 28, 2013. A total of 13 bids were received. The base bids were from Qro-Mex Construction (\$458,261.50), Lowden Excavating (\$504,736.29), M&C Fonseca (\$522,924.75), Smith Contracting (\$533,085.75), Patin Construction (\$535,342.00), MAC, Inc. (\$538,496.00), Westar Construction (\$546,335.50), M2 Federal (\$551,091.03), Legend Landscapes (\$559,746.26), Environmental Services (\$576,332.59), Gilberts Utility & Concrete (\$587,284.80), AAJ Concrete (\$595,615.00) and Structural Assurance (\$676,877.00).

The bid was prepared to construct new sidewalks at numerous locations to the area schools. These new sidewalks will be located along San Antonio Street from Main Street to Buda Elementary, along the north side of FM 967 from FM 1626 to Buda Sportsplex Drive, from Buda Sportsplex Drive to Dahlstrom Middle School, from the east side of Elm Grove Elementary to Whispering Hollow Subdivision, from the front of Elm Grove Elementary to the sidewalk along FM 1626 in front of the Whispering Hollow subdivision, from Old Goforth Road along the north side of Tom Green Elementary and a new pedestrian bridge across Garlic Creek from the Garlic Creek Subdivision to the Elm Grove Subdivision.

An Alternate Bid item was included to decrease the length of the bridge from 150 feet to 120 feet if this option was needed to get the project within budget.

A copy of the bid tabulation is attached for your use.

3. FINANCIAL IMPACT

Qro-Mex Construction is the apparent low bidder with a base bid of \$458,261.50.

KSA is recommending awarding the base bid to the apparent low bidder Qro-Mex Construction in the amount of \$458,261.50.

4. ACTION OPTIONS/RECOMMENDATION

Staff recommends City Council consider awarding the Base Bid for construction of the Safe Routes to Schools project to Qro-Mex Construction for a bid award of \$458,261.50 contingent upon TxDOT approval and authorize the City Manager to execute the contract.