



**MEMORANDUM
PUBLIC WORKS AND FACILITIES
ENGINEERING DIVISION
County of Placer**

TO: Honorable Board of Supervisors
FROM: Ken Grehm, Director of Public Works and Facilities
By: Richard Moorehead, Engineering Manager

DATE: September 27, 2016

SUBJECT: Engineering / Reject All Bids and Re-Advertise/ Highway 49 Beautification and Sidewalk Project

ACTION REQUESTED

Reject all bids received for the Highway 49 Beautification and Sidewalk Project and authorize the Department of Public Works and Facilities to re-advertise for construction bids.

BACKGROUND

This project will construct sidewalks along the east side of Highway 49 between New Airport Road and Bell Road with an additive option of extending sidewalks to Education Street if bids come in below the estimated budget. This project was originally started by the Placer County Redevelopment Agency. Upon the dissolution of the Redevelopment Agency, the Department of Public Works and Facilities took over this project and worked in collaboration with a consulting design firm to complete the design, acquire the necessary right of way, and obtain all of the necessary permits for construction.

Bids were opened on August 24, 2016, and one (1) bid was received. The Engineer's Estimate for this project was \$1,039,000. The bid received was \$2,192,708. During the course of evaluating the bid it was determined that only bid received exceeds the engineer's estimate substantially. The Placer County Procurement Department contacted several contractors after the bids were opened to determine why they had not submitted a bid for the project. The common answer was that they are too busy and do not have the crews to do the work at this time. To provide for the best bid process and being in the best interest of the public, the Department of Public Works and Facilities recommends that the bid be rejected for Construction Contract Number 00953 and the Department of Public Works and Facilities re-advertise for bids under a new Construction Contract Number at a future date that would be more favorable to a more competitive process.

ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT

A Mitigated Negative Declaration under CEQA was filed for the project on March 23, 2010 and accepted by the Board on July 13, 2010. A Categorical Exemption under NEPA was filed for the project and was certified on May 17, 2010.

FISCAL IMPACT

The estimated project construction cost is \$1,039,000. The project (PC2954) is funded through Redevelopment Bond Funds (\$700,000) and Local Road Funds (\$339,000). Funding is available in the department's final FY 2016-17 budget.

ATTACHMENTS

Location Map

STATE ROUTE 49 PEDESTRIAN FACILITIES AND LANDSCAPING PROJECT VICINITY & LOCATION MAP

