



*CITY of CALABASAS*

**CITY COUNCIL AGENDA REPORT**

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**DATE: JUNE 1, 2020**

**TO: HONORABLE MAYOR AND COUNCILMEMBERS**

**FROM: ROBERT YALDA, P.E., T.E., PUBLIC WORKS DIRECTOR  
TATIANA HOLDEN, P.E., SENIOR CIVIL ENGINEER**

**SUBJECT: RECOMMENDATION TO AWARD CONSTRUCTION CONTRACT TO  
C.A. RASMUSSEN, INC. IN THE AMOUNT OF \$3,844,145.25 FOR  
THE RONDELL SMART PARK PROJECT, SPECIFICATION NO. 19-20-06**

**MEETING**

**DATE: JUNE 10, 2020**

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**SUMMARY RECOMMENDATION:**

Staff recommends that City Council award the construction contract for the Rondell Smart Park Project, Specification No. 19-20-06 to C.A. Rasmussen, Inc. in the amount of \$3,342,735.00. Staff also recommends appropriating a 15% contingency of the total contract value of \$3,844,145.25 for potential change orders that are typical with projects of this magnitude.

Staff is recommending total appropriations of \$170,000.00 to cover costs associated with construction management, material testing and special inspections for this project.

Staff further recommends City Council authorize the expenditure of up to \$4,014,145.25 for the project from the Rondell Smart Park Project account no. 40-339-6502-10.

## **DISCUSSION/ANALYSIS:**

The project will construct a parking facility to serve the Las Virgenes Corridor and surrounding areas for commuter parking. The parking lot will have 131 parking stalls to provide parking for ride-share commuters as well as access to a trailhead on the east side of the project. The extension of Rondell Road will have one travel lane in each direction as well as parking stalls on either side of the street. The project site crosses a significant drainage path from the Northeast. A debris capture basin will be constructed to intercept and capture gross debris. Features of the facility will include storm water runoff retention through the use of bioretention techniques, and charging stations for electric vehicles.

The project was advertised for bidding on April 23, 2020, with Bid Opening scheduled for May 20, 2020. The Bid Opening for this project was conducted through Zoom Teleconference, due to the City Hall being closed to the public. One bid was submitted for this project and received by the City Clerk's Department on May 20, 2020.

The bid from C.A. Rasmussen, Inc. was higher than the engineer's estimate and the project budget. Staff analyzed the bid and identified the high cost item. The lump sum price for landscaping bid item was too high due to the project plans calling for larger than necessary trees and higher than necessary quantities for groundcovers, shrubs and grasses for available landscape square footage. Engineering and Landscape Management Divisions staff looked at possible modifications to the landscaping which are possible to implement without compromising the aesthetics. A decision was made to slightly reduce quantities of planting materials and to plant trees in smaller size boxes. Steel guardrail bid items were also revised to a cable railing installation which will match previous installations constructed by the Las Virgenes Road Scenic Corridor project.

C.A. Rasmussen was willing to reassess these items which reduced the bid amount significantly.

C.A. Rasmussen, Inc. has been licensed since 1968. Its classifications include: general engineering contractor; general building contractor; construction zone traffic control; and other classifications.

The contingency amount of \$501,410.25 should be added to the total expenditure cost for a total amount of \$3,844,145.25. The contingency will be utilized for project management, inspection and potential change orders. The amount of \$170,000.00 will be used to cover construction management, material testing and special inspection cost.

**FISCAL IMPACT/SOURCE OF FUNDING:**

Staff requests up to \$4,014,145.25 to be spent from the Rondell Smart Park project account no. 40-339-6502-10. Measure M Local Return funds will be used to finance this project.

**REQUESTED ACTION:**

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**ATTACHMENTS:**

Exhibit A: Construction Contract for C.A. Rasmussen, Inc.