



# CC Regular Meeting AGENDA ITEM REPORT

- Meeting:** September 17, 2024
- Title:** Badillo Street Water Services Replacement Project – Project No. W2501 – Award of Contract to GRBCON, Inc. for a Not-to-Exceed Amount of \$379,581.20.
- Presented by:** Rafael M. Fajardo, Interim Director of Public Works/City Engineer
- Recommendation:**
1. Approve plans and specifications for the Badillo Street Water Services Replacement Project;
  2. Award a contract for the Badillo Street Water Services Replacement Project to GRBCON, Inc. as the lowest responsive and responsible bidder for a not-to-exceed amount of \$379,581.20 and authorize the City Manager to execute the contract;
  3. Authorize a project contingency amount of \$37,958.12 (approximately 10%) for any unforeseen construction expenses; and
  4. Award a Professional Services Agreement to Siterep Construction Services, Inc for Inspection Services for an amount not-to-exceed \$25,200 and authorize the City Manager to execute the contract.

### EXECUTIVE SUMMARY:

As part of the City’s Fiscal Year 2024-2025 Capital Improvement Program, the City Council approved the Badillo Street Water Services Replacement Project, which is comprised of the installation of two (2) 6-inch main laterals, four (4) commercial fire hydrants, and one (1) 4-inch service lateral manifold to six (6) 1-inch service lines along Badillo Street from Rimsdale Avenue to Lark Ellen Avenue.

Following a public bidding process, it has been determined that the lowest responsive and responsible bidder for the project is GRBCON, Inc. As such, it is recommended that a contract be awarded for the Badillo Street Water Services Replacement Project to GRBCON, Inc. as the lowest responsive and responsible bidder in an amount not-to-exceed \$379,581.20 and authorize the City Manager to execute the contract.

### DISCUSSION:

The water main line on Badillo Street that lies between Rimsdale Avenue and Lark Ellen Avenue was installed circa 1950. The un-lined steel water main has been subject to a significant number of failures and the main line, galvanized services, old valves and hydrants have recently exceeded their useful life. The Badillo Street Water Services Replacement Project will ultimately provide high quality water service to Covina residents and businesses located within the project area for the foreseeable future.

A Notice Inviting Bids was published in the *San Gabriel Valley Examiner* on Thursday, August 26<sup>th</sup> & September 5<sup>th</sup>, 2024. Sealed bids were accepted in the Office of the City Clerk until 10:00 am on Tuesday, September 10, 2024. Beginning at 10:00 a.m. on September 10, 2024, the City Clerk publicly opened and read four (4) sealed bids with the following results:

RANK	BIDDER	LOCATION	TOTAL BID AMOUNT
1	GRBCON, Inc.	Baldwin Park, CA	\$379,581.20

2	Gentry Brothers, Inc.	Irwindale, CA	\$402,096.00
3	Big Ben Engineering, Inc.	Irvine, CA	\$431,750.00
4	Dominguez General Engineering, Inc.	Pomona, CA	\$496,600.00

Staff has reviewed all bid documents for compliance and evaluated the contractors' professional backgrounds and recently completed projects for competency. As a result, staff recommends a contract award to the lowest responsive and responsible bidder, GRBCON, Inc., given that this firm has completed numerous water main replacement projects for several public agencies in Southern California including Covina.

**FISCAL IMPACT:**

The funding sources allocated for the Badillo Street Water Services Replacement Project as well as associated project expenses are as follows:

**ALLOCATED PROJECT FUNDS IN FY 2024-25**

FUNDS	ALLOCATION	ACCOUNT
Water CIP Fund	\$ 1,250,000	6011-5080-55410-W2501
<b>Total Allocation</b>	<b>\$ 1,250,000</b>	

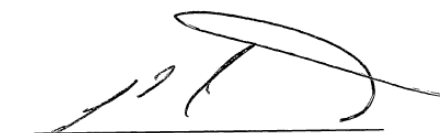
**PROPOSED PROJECT EXPENSES**

DESCRIPTION	AMOUNT
Contract Amount (GRBCON, Inc.)	\$ 379,581.20
Contingency Allowance	\$ 37,958.12
<b>Total Contract Amount</b>	<b>\$417,539.32</b>
Siterep Construction Services, Inc. (Construction Inspection Services)	\$ 25,200.00
<b>Total Fiscal Impact</b>	<b>\$442,739.32</b>

**CEQA (CALIFORNIA ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY ACT):**

This project has been determined to be categorically exempt under CEQA in accordance with Title 14, Chapter 3, Class 1, Sections 15301 and 15302. This exemption includes the minor alteration of existing public facilities involving negligible or no expansion of use beyond that existing at the time of the lead agency's determination. The project involves negligible or no expansion of an existing use.

Respectfully submitted,



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