

CITY COUNCIL MEMORANDUM

AGENDA ITEM

Bid Recommendation - Bid No. 16-04 for the Septic Tank Elimination Program (STEP) Phase IX-B

ORIGINATING DEPARTMENT

Public Works/Water and Sewer Division

BACKGROUND INFORMATION

On Tuesday March 11, 2014, the City executed an agreement for professional engineering and surveying services with The Wallace Group, Inc., for the Septic Tank Elimination Program (STEP) Phase IX Project. STEP IX includes 91 lots in the Tanglewood Estates Subdivision, which is generally located near Turkey Trot and Stagecoach Road. Due to the size of the project, City staff asked The Wallace Group to design the project contemplating two phases of construction. Bell Contractors, Inc., was awarded the contract and has completed the construction of STEP IX-A. On Wednesday October 28, 2015, bids were opened and read aloud for the construction portion of STEP IX-B. At the time of bidding, 23 of the 39 property owners in the STEP IX-B area had paid their \$350.00 deposit and completed their STEP agreement.

DISCUSSION/CONCLUSION

Four contractors submitted bids on this project. The bids are as follows:

BIDDERS	BID
Bell Contractors, Inc.	\$552,069.40
Wauters Engineering, LLC	\$699,140.32
Skyblue Utilities, Inc.	\$778,486.02
M&C Fonseca Construction, Inc.	\$985,660.40

The Wallace Group and City staff have reviewed each bid for conformance with the contract documents and for bid balance. Based upon this evaluation and past work experience, City staff and The Wallace Group recommend the award of bid contract to Bell Contractors, Inc.

FISCAL IMPACT

Funding for STEP IX-B project is available in the amount of \$552,069.40 through account number 550-9590-495.62-79 of the Water and Sewer Fund.

RECOMMENDATION

City staff recommends that the City Council authorize the City Manager to enter into a contract with Bell Contractors, Inc., in the amount of \$552,069.40 to construct the Septic Tank Elimination Program Phase IX-B Project. City staff also recommends that the City Manager be expressly authorized to execute any and all change orders within the amounts set by state and local law.