Atascadero City Council  
Staff Report – Public Works Department

Reject Lake Park Sign and Frontage Improvement Project Bids  
(City Bid No. 2011-012)

RECOMMENDATIONS:

Council:

1. Reject all bids for the Lake Park Sign and Frontage project; and,
2. Authorize the Public Works Director to re-bid the project.

DISCUSSION:

There are allocated funds in the Fiscal Year 2011-12 budget for construction of the Lake Park Sign and Frontage Improvement Project. This project is not subject to the recent State of California’s Redevelopment Agency funding “take” due to the City’s pre-existing contract to build the project with the RDA.

This project is intended to visually, functionally and environmentally enhance the section of Highway 41 from Portola Avenue to the Lago Avenue entrance to the park. The project includes the design of new landscaping and a pedestrian path along the Highway 41 frontage, as well as a new monument sign for the Lake Park and Charles Paddock Zoo and a monument sign for the Veteran’s Memorial. The project will also include fencing and pedestrian facilities in front of the Alvord Field baseball field and a new banner holder for the front of the Lake Park. The improvements will be consistent with the adopted Lake Park Design Guides (similar to the new Alvord Field concession building.)

Design plans for the Lake Park Sign and Frontage Improvement project were developed through a public participation process that included a public workshop, stakeholder meetings and a recommendation for approval by the Parks and Recreation Commission.

The project was advertised for bid from July 20, 2011 through August 30, 2011. Seven bids were received and reviewed for accuracy and compliance with the City of
Atascadero bidding requirements. A total of seven (7) bids were received for this project. The bid summary is attached to this staff report.

The low bidder, Michael Frederick Paving Corporation, with a bid of $387,070, has been deemed non-responsive for bid errors and omissions. All other bids received for this project are significantly in excess of the available project construction funds. As a result, staff is recommending that all of the bids be rejected and the scope of the project be reduced to meet the project budget, and then re-bid.

**Conclusion:** Staff recommends that the City Council reject all of the current bids for the Lake Park Sign and Frontage project and authorize the Public Works Director to reduce the scope of the project to meet the allocated budget and then re-bid the project.

**FISCAL IMPACT:**

The fiscal impact of rejecting the bids is minimal as all plans, specifications and contracts have been developed. Minor staff time and minimal advertisement costs will be the only proposed expenses to re-bid the project.

**ALTERNATIVE:**

Council may not reject the bids, and direct staff to award a contract with the lowest responsive bidder. Staff does not recommend this alternative since this project has limited funding.

**ATTACHMENT:**

Bid Summary
City of Atascadero
Office of the City Clerk
Bid Summary

TO:           FROM:
Public Works  Lisa Cava, Deputy City Clerk
BID NO.:      BID NO.:
2011-012      2011-012
OPENED:       OPENED:
8/30/2011     8/30/2011
PROJECT:      PROJECT:
Atascadero Lake Park Frontage Improvement Project

Bids were received and opened today, as follows:

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