



# CITY OF COSTA MESA

77 Fair Drive  
Costa Mesa, CA 92626

## Agenda Report

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**File #:** 23-1428

**Meeting Date:** 11/7/2023

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**TITLE:**

**REJECT ALL BIDS - ADAMS AVENUE AND PINECREEK DRIVE INTERSECTION PROJECT, FEDERAL PROJECT NO. CML-5312(104), CITY PROJECT NO. 23-01**

**DEPARTMENT:** PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT/ENGINEERING DIVISION

**PRESENTED BY:** RAJA SETHURAMAN, PUBLIC WORKS DIRECTOR

**CONTACT INFORMATION:** SEUNG YANG, P.E., CITY ENGINEER, (714) 754-5633

**RECOMMENDATION:**

Staff recommends the City Council reject all bids for the Adams Avenue and Pinecreek Drive Intersection Project, Federal Project No. CML-5312(104), City Project No. 23-01, and direct staff to re-advertise the project.

**BACKGROUND:**

The Adams Avenue and Pinecreek Drive Intersection Project is an approved Capital Improvement Program (CIP) project. It provides multi-modal intersection improvements at the intersection of Adams Avenue and Pinecreek Drive which encourages bicycling and improved mobility per the City's approved Active Transportation Plan (ATP).

The multi-modal improvements at the intersection of Adams Avenue and Pinecreek Drive were designed to include removal of existing right turn slip lanes, slurry seal improvements, new Class 1 bicycle facilities, bicycle and pedestrian ramps, new signalized crosswalk on the west leg of the intersection, traffic signal modifications, new pavement striping and markings consisting of green thermoplastic conflict zones, a bicycle box, and high visibility crosswalks.

**ANALYSIS:**

Staff received two (2) bids for this project during the bid opening on September 11, 2023. The bid analysis is shown as Attachment 1.

The apparent low bidder, Gentry General Engineering, Inc., submitted a bid of \$2,788,641, which was significantly higher than the Engineer's estimate. Staff recommends that all bids be rejected and the project to be re-advertised.

Re-advertisement of the project will allow staff the opportunity to re-evaluate current construction prices, re-evaluate the scope of work, and allow other potential bidders to submit bids.

**ALTERNATIVES:**

The alternative would be to reject the staff's recommendation and award to the low bidder, Gentry General Engineering, Inc. Staff does not recommend this alternative since the funding required for the low bidder is significantly higher than the allotted budget and Engineer's estimate.

**FISCAL REVIEW:**

There is no fiscal review since this item is administrative in nature.

**LEGAL REVIEW:**

The City Attorney's Office has reviewed this agenda report and approves it as to form.

**CITY COUNCIL GOALS AND PRIORITIES:**

This item is administrative in nature.

**CONCLUSION:**

Staff recommends the City Council reject all bids for the Adams Avenue and Pinecreek Drive Intersection Project, Federal Project No. CML-5312(104), City Project No. 23-01, and direct staff to re-advertise the project.