



Office of the City Manager

CONSENT CALENDAR
July 24, 2018

To: Honorable Mayor and Members of the City Council
 From: Dee Williams-Ridley, City Manager
 Submitted by: Phillip L. Harrington, Director, Department of Public Works
 Subject: Reject Bids – FY2018 Measure M Low Impact Development (LID) Woolsey Street Project, Specification No. 18-11183-C

RECOMMENDATION

Adopt a Resolution authorizing the City Manager to reject bids and direct staff to re-advertise the work associated with the FY2018 Measure M Low Impact Development (LID) Woolsey Street Project, Specification No. 18-11183-C.

FISCAL IMPACTS OF RECOMMENDATION

Additional staff and consultant time will be required to re-advertise the Low Impact Development (LID) Woolsey Street Project (Project). Public Works Department staff believes contractors are currently busy, and current bid prices are at a premium due to the market. Staff anticipates advertising this project at a later date will lower overall project construction costs.

CURRENT SITUATION AND ITS EFFECTS

Measure M provides the City with funding for street repaving and installation of LID treatment and watershed improvements consistent with the Watershed Management Plan (WMP) adopted by Council in October 2012. The primary purpose of the LID improvements is treatment of polluted urban runoff and reduction of flooding. This project is for construction of a bio-swale and flow detention facility on Woolsey Street between Adeline Street and Tremont Street (see Attachment 2, Location Map). The current regional stormwater permits in place and the high demand for construction in the Bay Area have contractors operating at full capacity. Staff believes these conditions of high demand and a limited pool of qualified contractors has driven prices up. Staff plans to re-bid this project in winter 2018 to start construction in spring 2019.

BACKGROUND

The project location was selected because the analysis in the WMP indicates this is an effective location to locate a LID facility in the Potter Watershed. This location can provide treatment and flood relief to a portion of southwest Berkeley. This site was reviewed by the Public Works Commission.

The Project (Specification No. 18-11183-C) was released for construction bids May 8, 2018. The City received one bid from Pacific Infrastructure Construction, LLC (Pacific),

which was opened June 7, 2018 (see Attachment 3, Abstract of Bids). The non-local bid was for \$2,864,707, an amount which exceeds the available budget for the Project, and is approximately \$1.3 million over the Engineer's estimate of \$1.5 million.

ENVIRONMENTAL SUSTAINABILITY

Staff believes the current bid is excessive and accepting this bid will invest an unreasonable amount of the City's limited funding into a single project. Rejecting this bid and re-advertise at a later date gives the City an opportunity to be more efficient in expending its funding and maximize the amount of LID installations to provide as much urban runoff and flood control as possible within Berkeley's heavily urbanized condition.

RATIONALE FOR RECOMMENDATION

The City cannot accept the bid from Pacific, because it exceeds the City's estimate and budget for the Project. The work requires contracted services, as the City does not possess the in-house labor or equipment resources necessary to complete the Project. Staff believes bidding the Project at a later date will reduce the overall construction cost.

ALTERNATIVE ACTIONS CONSIDERED

Staff considered awarding the project to Pacific, but determined it would be in the City's best interest to re-advertise the project at a later date.

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Attachments:

- 1: Resolution
2. Location Map
3. Abstract of Bids

RESOLUTION NO. ##,###-N.S.

REJECT BIDS AND DIRECT STAFF TO RE-ADVERTISE THE FY2018 MEASURE M
LOW IMPACT DEVELOPMENT (LID) WOOLSEY STREET PROJECT

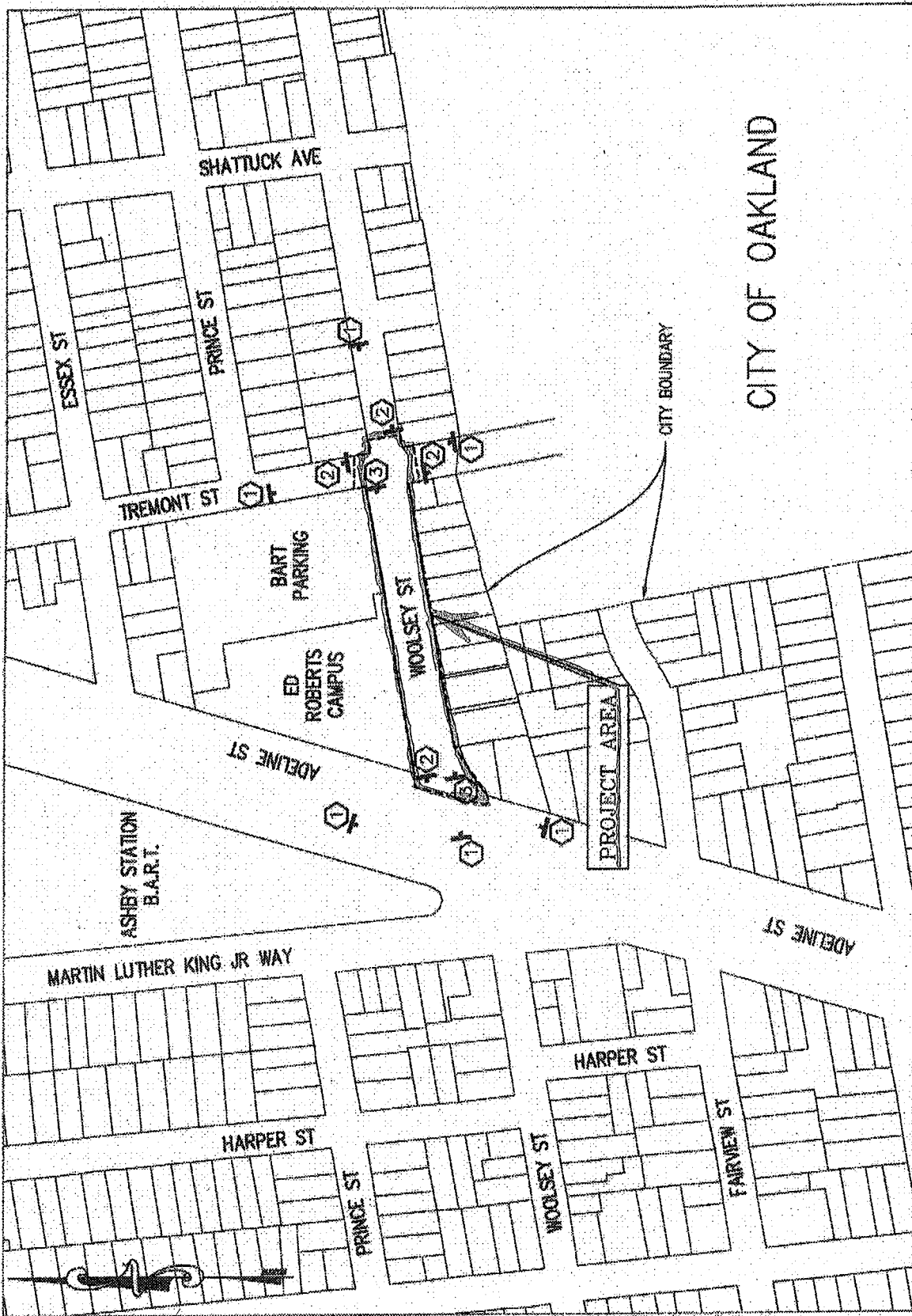
WHEREAS, the FY2018 Measure M Low Impact Development (LID) Woolsey Street Project (Project) is part of the City's ongoing Clean Stormwater Capital Improvement Program to implement recommendations from the Watershed Management Plan; and

WHEREAS, the City has neither the labor nor the equipment necessary to undertake this FY2018 Measure M Low Impact Development (LID) Woolsey Street Project; and

WHEREAS, an invitation for bids was duly advertised (Specification No. 18-11183-C), on which the sole bid received was from Pacific Infrastructure Construction, LLC, and as the bid exceeded the City's estimate and available budget for the Project; and

WHEREAS, staff have evaluated the bid received and determined it to be in the City's best interest to re-advertise the project.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Council of the City of Berkeley that the bid from Pacific Infrastructure Construction, LLC is rejected and the City Manager is authorized to re-bid the FY2018 Measure M Low Impact Development (LID) Woolsey Street Project, Specification No. 18-11183-C.

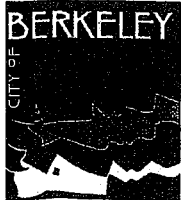


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WOOLSEY STR.
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LOCATION MAP



City of Berkeley
Abstract of Bid Worksheet

Finance Department
General Services Division

Measure M Low Impact Development
Woosley Street Project

FOR:

Spec. # 18-1183-C

Bid Date: 6/7/18

	Bidders	Base Bid	Nuc Free	Work Force Comp	Opp. States	Living Wage	EBO	Bid Bond	Addenda
1	<i>Pacific Structures</i>	<i>2,864,700</i>							
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Bid Recorder: *Ch Blankenship* *6/6/18*
Bid Opener: *SD* *6/7/18*

Project Manager: *Robert M. Alb* *7 JUN 2018*

