



MEETING OF MARCH 7, 2023

TO: Mayor Jordan and City Council
THRU: Chris Brown, Public Works Director
Susan Norton, Chief of Staff
FROM: Matt Mihalevich, Active Transportation Manager
DATE:
SUBJECT: 2023-422 Mission Blvd. Trail Storm Drainage Installation

RECOMMENDATION:

Staff recommends award of Bid 23-17 and authorization of a contract with Sweetser Construction, Inc. in the amount of \$502,480.00 and approval of a \$100,000 contingency for the installation of storm drainage for the Mission Blvd. Trail from Old Wire to North Street and approval of a budget adjustment.

BACKGROUND:

City crews will soon begin construction of a shared use paved trail along Mission Boulevard (Highway 45) from Viewpoint to Maple Street. This 1.5-mile corridor is planned to include a 12 and 10-foot-wide shared use paved trail with green space separation including trees, lighting, curb and storm drainage with a focus on bike and pedestrian safety. This project is identified as a priority in the Active Transportation Master Plan and as a catalyst project in the Northwest Arkansas Bicycle & Pedestrian Plan. In addition, this project ranks number 6 by the Mobility Plan project prioritization scoring matrix.

DISCUSSION:

The Mission Blvd. Trail is a large and involved trail project, so we have broken the 1.5 miles into phases for construction. The first phase will be the most important section from Old Wire Rd. to North Street. To assist the City crews in the construction of this section, the work associated with the storm sewer installation was publicly bid as 23-17. The Mission Blvd. Trail was designed by Crafton, Tull and Associates, Inc. and the construction will be managed by city staff.

Bid #23-17 was opened publicly on February 7th, 2023 with four bidders providing bids. Sweetser Construction, Inc. being the lowest responsive bidder and the bid tabulation is included. The bid amount is below the engineers estimate and within the amount funds certified. The contract time is 120 days for final completion.

BUDGET/STAFF IMPACT:

Funding for the storm drainage installation in a total amount of \$602,480.00 with contingency has been allocated from the 2019 trail bond funds. The budget adjustment moves funds to the Mission Blvd. Trail project.

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ATTACHMENTS: 2023-422 SRF Sweetser - Mission Blvd. Storm Drainage, 2023-422 BA Sweetser - Mission Blvd. Storm Drainage, Mission Blvd Trail Map - January 2023, Bid 23-17, Bid Tab - AB and LM Signed, Sweetser Signed Agreement, Bid 23-17, Submittal - Sweetser Construction, Inc. - E

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