

STAFF REPORT

**CITY COUNCIL
June 22, 2004**

To: Mayor and City Council
From: George J. Rodericks, City Manager
Originated By: Warren W. Repke, City Engineer

SUBJECT: AWARD CONSTRUCTION CONTRACT – FY 2003-04 STREET MAINTENANCE PROJECT

BACKGROUND

In a continuing effort to keep the City streets functioning at a high level of service and meet the objectives of the City Pavement Management Program the City administrators a Street Pavement Maintenance Program consisting of crack sealing, slurry seals, and asphalt concrete overlays. In addition to the pavement maintenance; curb, gutter, and sidewalk repairs are also performed. Each year funds are budgeted to meet these objectives.

Authorization to advertise the 2003-04 FY Street Maintenance Project was received from the City council at its May 25th, 2004 meeting.

FINDINGS

Construction bids for the project were opened on June 15, 2004. One bid was received as follows:

Hardy & Harper, Inc. \$296,847.50

The Engineer’s Estimate is \$ 281,615.

Evaluation of the bids have been completed and the lowest responsible and responsive bid was received from Hardy and Harper Inc. in the amount of \$296,847.50.

The low bid exceeds the Engineer’s Estimate by 5.4%. In the opinion of staff, the bid received is within an acceptable range of the Engineer’s Estimate. The alternative is to reject the bid received and rebid the project. This would delay project construction by sixty days, pushing construction into the school season. There is also no assurance that a better bid will be received.

If awarded at this meeting, construction would start in mid July and be completed by August 31, 2004.

CEQA COMPLIANCE

The project is exempt from requirements of the California Environmental Quality Act by section 15301 – Existing Facilities.

FISCAL IMPACT

Project construction costs are within the amount included in the FY 2003-04 budget for the Street Maintenance Program.

RECOMMENDATION

City staff recommends award of the construction contract to Hardy & Harper, Inc. in the amount of \$296,847.50.

APPROVAL MOTION

Award a construction contract to Hardy & Harper, Inc. in the amount of \$296,847.50 for the 2003-04 FY Street Maintenance Program and authorize the Mayor to execute the contract agreement.