

# City of Los Alamitos

## Agenda Report Discussion Items

August 3, 2009  
Item No: 8C

**To:** Mayor Troy Edgar and Members of the City Council

**Via:** Jeffrey L. Stewart, City Manager

**From:** Steven Mendoza, Director of Community Development

**Subject:** Authorization of award of a Professional Services Agreement for design of Fiscal Year 2009-10 Highlands - Residential Street Resurfacing Project

**Summary:** This report provides a review of the consultant selection process and recommends awarding a contract for professional design services to DGA Consultants for Fiscal Year 2009-10 Residential Street Resurfacing Project in the Highlands neighborhood.

### Recommendation:

1. Authorize the City Manager to approve a Professional Services Agreement with DGA Consultants in the amount of \$34,661 for design of Fiscal Year 2009-10 Highlands - Residential Street Resurfacing Project; and,
2. Direct staff to return to City Council prior to approval of plans and specifications and authorization to bid for further direction on budgeting, should costs estimates exceed the approved budget.

### Background

The 2009-10 Fiscal Year Capital Improvement Program provides funding for the City's annual residential street resurfacing project. A total of \$900,000 is budgeted, including construction, design, survey, construction management, and other miscellaneous services. The first step is project design. Staff solicited three (3) qualified engineering firms to provide proposals for this year's project. Staff has reviewed the proposals and recommends entering into a contract with DGA Consultants of Santa Ana to perform the necessary design services at a cost of \$34,661.

## Discussion

- Contemplated Work

The 2009-10 Residential Street Resurfacing Program provides asphalt overlay of City streets in the Highlands neighborhood. **Attachment 1** provides a map depicting the Highlands neighborhood. The following streets will be resurfaced:

- La Colmena Way
- Vista de Ora
- Rossmoor Way
- Bradbury Road
- Kempton Drive
- Paseo Bonita
- Pine Street
- Reagan Street
- Cherry Street

The anticipated work will consist of asphalt overlay, removal and replacement of asphalt where it is determined the base material is failing, pavement grinding, curb and gutter repair where needed, cross gutter improvements where needed to address drainage issues and re-striping.

- Consultant Selection

The initial step for the project is selection of a qualified design consultant. Staff solicited three (3) qualified firms to submit a proposal for the work. The fees submitted by each firm are:

Firm	Proposed Fee
DGA Consultants	\$34,661
KDM Meridian	\$38,175
KFM Engineering, Inc	\$38,500

All consultants provided comprehensive proposals; all firms are well qualified and have performed work on similar past projects. Staff is recommending DGA Consultants to provide the required services. DGA Consultants provided a comprehensive proposal addressing key issues, including pavement evaluation and expedited schedule. DGA Consultants also submitted the lowest fee proposal.

The proposed fee of \$34,661 is reasonable for the scope of work. Staff recommends that a Professional Services Agreement for design be awarded to DGA Consultants for the 2009-10 Highlands - Residential Street Resurfacing Project. The agreement and scope of services are included in **Attachment 2**.

## Fiscal Impact

The total budget approved for this project is \$900,000. The estimated cost breakdown below provides for all anticipated project costs. Construction costs (including contingency reserve) are estimated at \$831,339.

ITEM	AMOUNT
Design	\$34,661
Construction Estimate	\$755,763
Contingency Reserve (10%)	\$75,576
Construction Mgmt/Inspection	\$30,000
Materials Testing	\$2,500
Misc Expenses(Printing, postage, advertising)	\$1,500
<b>TOTAL ESTIMATED COST</b>	<b>\$900,000</b>

- Budget Issue

An analysis of the budget for the project based on last year's Carrier Row project cost provides a construction cost estimate of \$875,000. This would exceed the available budget for construction as indicated above. While the resurfacing and pavement grinding are fairly easy to estimate, other costs such as curb and gutter and full depth asphalt removal/replacement are not known at this time. The cost estimate assumes a percentage for these items. Staff is therefore proposing that once we have enough design information, that staff return to City Council for further direction if the project is expected to exceed the budget.

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Attachments:      1) Project Location Map  
                          2) Consultant Agreement