REPORT TO COUNCIL
City of Sacramento

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CONSENT
March 28, 2006

Honorable Mayor and
Members of the City Council

Subject: Contract: Arden Way Intelligent Transportation Systems (ITS) Project (PN: SP96)

Location/Council District: Arden Way between Del Paso Boulevard and Watt Avenue. Location map – Exhibit A of Resolution. (Districts 2 and 3)

Recommendation:

Adopt a Resolution: 1) approving plans and specifications, 2) accepting the lowest responsive and responsible bid of Vellutini Corporation, dba Royal Electric Company in the amount of $1,499,377, 3) authorizing and directing the City Manager to execute a contract in the amount of $1,499,377 with Vellutini Corporation, dba Royal Electric Company for the Arden Way Intelligent Transportation Systems (ITS) Project (PN: SP96), 4) transferring $491,949 from the State and Federal Grant Match Program (PN: TX01, Fund 201) to the Arden Way ITS Project (PN: SP96), 5) directing staff to bring a Measure A (Fund 201) reallocation request in the amount of $491,949 to the Sacramento Transportation Authority (STA) Board for approval, and 6) accepting recommendation of hearing examiner to disqualify Adesta Limited Partnership as a bidder.

Contact: Greg Smith, Associate Civil Engineer, (916) 808-8364; Tim Mar, Supervising Engineer, (916) 808-7531
Presenters: None
Department: Department of Transportation
Division: Engineering Services Division
Organization No: 3434

Summary:

This report requests that the City Council authorize and direct the City Manager to execute a contract with Royal Electric Company in the amount of $1,499,377, for construction of the Arden Way Intelligent Transportation Systems (ITS) Project (PN: SP96).

This contract will cover the construction of ITS elements on Arden Way between Del Paso Boulevard and Watt Avenue. ITS elements included in the design are a fiber optic communications linkage between the City's and County's traffic operations centers, closed circuit television cameras, transit and emergency vehicle signal priority at all traffic signals, and traffic data stations. The project will provide better management and coordination of inter-jurisdictional traffic flows on this major corridor.

Committee/Commission Action: None.

Background Information:

The Sacramento Area ITS Partnership ("Partnership") coordinated by SACOG, received federal ITS earmark funds in FY02 and FY03 toward deployment of ITS projects. The Partnership consists of members from the City of Sacramento, County of Sacramento, SACOG, Caltrans, Regional Transit and other local agencies who are working together on ITS projects towards the future goal of future regional transportation integration.

Federal earmarked dollars were allocated to the City and County in FY02 and FY03 to primarily implement ITS elements on Arden Way between Del Paso Boulevard and Watt Avenue. ITS elements included in the project – fiber optic communications linkage between the City's and County's traffic operations centers, traffic signal retiming, closed circuit television cameras, transit and emergency vehicle signal priority at all traffic signals, and traffic data stations will provide better management and coordination of inter-jurisdictional traffic flows on this major corridor. The entire urban area will benefit from this project. The City of Sacramento is the lead agency for the Arden Way ITS Project and will manage the construction of the project. The 50% required local match will be shared equally by the City and County since the project location is in both jurisdictions.

This project was advertised and four bids were received on November 9, 2005. The bids are summarized below:

Contractor	Bid Amount	DBE Participation (25% Goal)	GFE	Responsive
Adesta Limited Partnership	$1,438,271	15.2%	No	No
Royal Electric Company	$1,499,377	0%	Yes	Yes
Golden State Utility	$1,985,969	0%	Yes	No
Manuel Brothers Inc.	$2,321,988	2.1%	Yes	No

The engineer's estimated construction cost was $1,500,000.

The apparent low bidder, Adesta Limited Partnership, was not responsive due to not achieving the DBE goal of 25% or demonstrating adequate good faith effort to meet the goal. An administrative reconsideration took place with Adesta and again they were found not responsive. After the findings, Adesta filed a bid protest and their appeal was brought before a hearing examiner. After review, the examiner recommended that the Sacramento City Council sustain the decision of City staff to disqualify Adesta as a bidder. The bid from Golden State Utility was not responsive due to no Equal Benefits Ordinance certification being submitted. The bid from Manuel Brothers was not responsive due to submission of an incomplete Minimum Qualifications Questionnaire, no certification that the firm would comply with Public Contract Code, and no list of subcontractors.

The only fully responsive bid was submitted by Royal Electric Company.

It is recommended that the contract be awarded to Royal Electric Company for its lowest responsive and responsible bid.

Construction of the project is anticipated to begin in April 2006 and be completed by October 2006.

Financial Considerations:

A total of $1,208,897 (Fund 511) in federal earmark dollars was budgeted. $1,108,897 of the earmark dollars will be used toward the Arden Way ITS Project (PN: SP96) and the required 50% project cost local match will be split equally, $554,449 (City) and $554,449 (County). The remaining $100,000 of the earmark will be used toward the SACOG Strategic Deployment Plan project which will articulate the region's vision of ITS and serve as a phasing plan for the projects that will fulfill that vision.

The current project budget is 1,840,846 with an unobligated balance of $1,445,895. The transfer of $491,949 (Fund 201) from the State and Federal Grant Match Program (PN: TX01) will increase the total project budget to $2,332,795 and the unobligated balance to $1,937,844 which is sufficient to execute the contract in the amount of $1,499,377 with Royal Electric Company and cover remaining project management and construction engineering costs.

Information Note: Sacramento Transportation Authority (STA) Board approval is required to complete the Measure A (Fund 201) reallocation from the State and Federal Grant Match Program (PN: TX01) to the Arden Way ITS Project (PN: SP96). Staff will submit the reallocation request for action at the next scheduled STA Board meeting. The reallocation of Measure A in the amount of $491,949 is contingent upon the STA Board approval. There is minimal risk that the STA Board will not approve the reallocation request. Staff will return to City Council for further budget approvals if the STA Board does not approve the reallocation request.

Environmental Considerations:

The Environmental Services Manager has determined that the proposed project is exempt from the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) under Section Number 15301 and 15303 of the CEQA guidelines. Exemption 15301 consists of existing public structures or facilities and Exemption 15303 consists of new construction or conversion of small structures. It has been determined by Caltrans that a Programmatic Categorical Exclusion would satisfy the requirements for NEPA.

Policy Considerations:

This project meets the City's strategic plan goals for improving public safety and enhancing livability by improving regional connectivity and mobility.

Emerging Small Business Development (ESBD):

There are no ESBD considerations for this agreement due to the Disadvantaged Business Enterprise (DBE) requirements that apply to federally funded projects. Royal Electric Company did not achieve the 25% DBE goal. However, they demonstrated satisfactory Good Faith Effort (GFE) in lieu of goal attainment.

Respectfully Submitted by: _____
Nicholas Theocharides
Engineering Services Manager

Approved by: _____
Francesca Lee Halbakken
Interim Director, Department of Transportation

Recommendation Approved:

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for RAY KERRIDGE
City Manager

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RESOLUTION NO.

Adopted by the Sacramento City Council

APPROVING PLANS AND SPECIFICATIONS, ACCEPTING THE LOWEST RESPONSIVE AND RESPONSIBLE BID, AWARDING ARDEN WAY INTELLIGENT TRANSPORTATION SYSTEMS (ITS) PROJECT (PN: SP96), TRANSFER OF FUNDS, AND MEASURE A REALLOCATION REQUEST

BACKGROUND

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BASED ON THE FACTS SET FORTH IN THE BACKGROUND, THE CITY COUNCIL RESOLVES AS FOLLOWS:

Section 1. Plans and specifications for the Arden Way Intelligent Transportation Systems (ITS) Project (PN: SP96) are approved.

Section 2. The lowest responsive and responsible bid of Vellutini Corporation, dba Royal Electric Company in the amount of $1,499,377 is accepted.

Section 3. The City Manager is authorized and directed to execute a contract in the amount of $1,499,377 with Vellutini Corporation, dba Royal Electric Company for the Arden Way Intelligent Transportation Systems (ITS) Project (PN: SP96).

Section 4. The FY05/06 Capital Improvement Program revenue and expenditure budgets are amended by transferring $491,949 Measure A (Fund 201) from the State and Federal Grant Match Program (PN: TX01) to the Arden Way ITS Project (PN: SP96).

Section 5. Staff is directed to bring a Measure A (Fund 201) reallocation request in the amount of $491,949 to the Sacramento Transportation Authority (STA) Board for approval.

Section 6. The recommendation of hearing examiner to disqualify Adesta Limited Partnership as a bidder is accepted.

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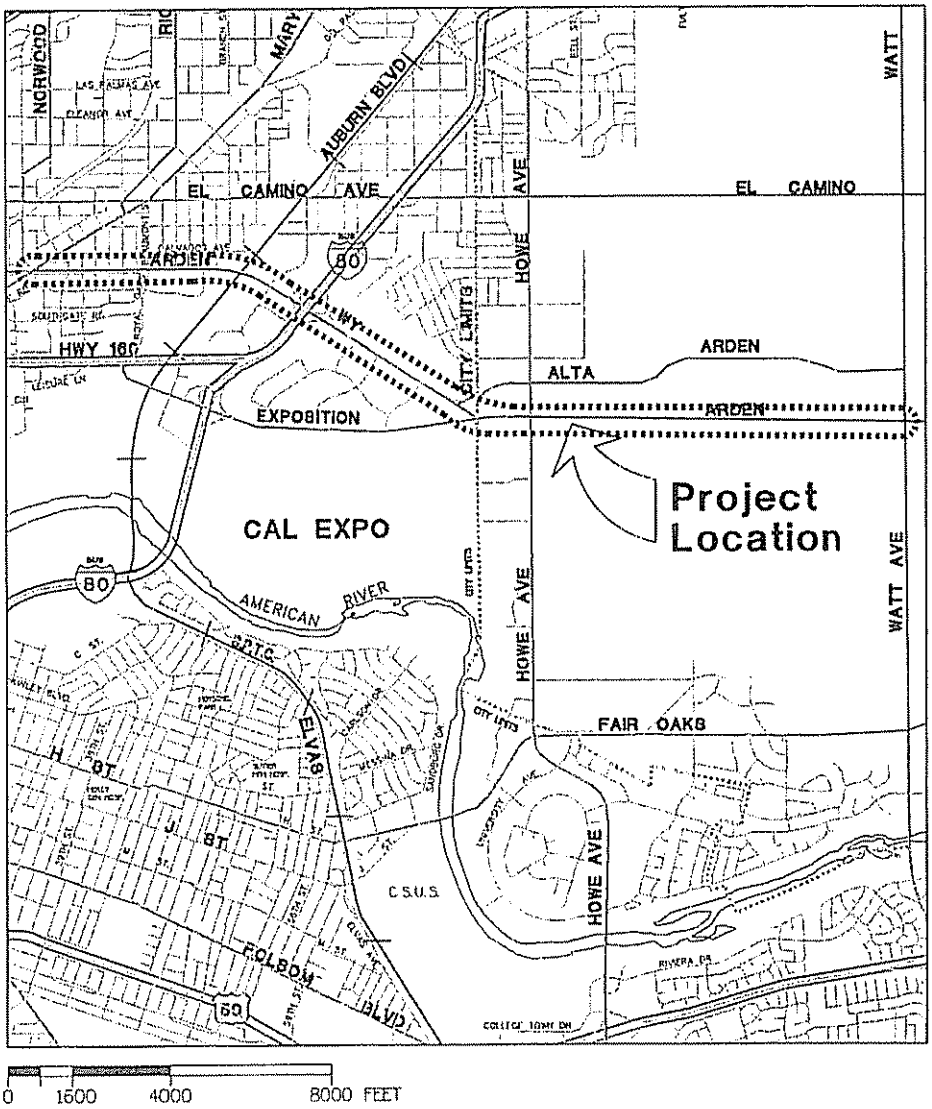
Exhibit A: Arden Way Intelligent Transportation Systems (ITS) Project (PN: SP96)

EXHIBIT A

ARDEN WAY I.T.S. PROJECT BETWEEN DEL PASO BOULEVARD AND WATT AVENUE



PN: SP96
LOCATION MAP

MAP CONTACT: B. CAMERON
DATE: 12/20/05