



Agenda # 15  
Commission Meeting Date:  
May 1, 2012

**CITY OF GREAT FALLS  
COMMISSION AGENDA REPORT**

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**Item:** Final Payment – Valeria Way Storm Main Replacement, Phase I,  
O.F. 1463.0

**From:** Engineering Division

**Initiated By:** Public Works Department

**Presented By:** Jim Rearden, Public Works Director

**Action Requested:** Approve Final Pay Request

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**Suggested Motion:**

1. Commissioner moves:

“I move the City Commission approve Final Payment for the Valeria Way Storm Main Replacement, Phase I, O. F. 1463.0 in the amount of \$10,277.54 to Western Municipal Construction, Inc., and \$103.81 to the State Miscellaneous Tax Fund and authorize the City Manager to make the payments.”

2. Mayor calls for a second, discussion, inquiries from the public, and calls for the vote.

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**Staff Recommendation:** Approve final payment request.

**Background:**

Purpose:

The existing Valeria Way Storm Main was installed in the 1920’s and runs under several house foundations in the area, making any potential repairs needed on this main extremely difficult and poses a potential risk of house settlements in the future. The storm water master plan recommended the relocation of this main to the streets. The relocation of the Valeria Storm Main located north of Central Avenue will be constructed in two phases with this being the first. A project to cap and fill the abandoned Valeria Way Storm Main is currently scheduled for the Summer of 2012.

Original Bid Opening Date:

Four bids were received and opened for this project on March 16, 2011.

Bid Amount:

Western Municipal submitted the low bid of \$560,210.00.

Commission Award Date:

The City Commission awarded the contract to Western Municipal on April 5, 2011.

Final Payment:

The final project cost is \$511,552.90 which is \$48,657.10 less than the amount that was awarded and approved. This difference was due to a minimum of unstable soils and ground water encountered while excavating for the storm main replacement.

Project Work Scope

Approximately 335 linear feet of new 48-inch storm main, 1,593 linear feet of 30-inch storm main, six 8 foot diameter manholes, three 6 foot diameter manholes and 2,736 square yards of 3 and 6-inch asphalt paving were installed on this project. This project was completed ahead of a MDT project to overlay 1<sup>st</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup> Avenue North.

Conclusion

City staff has verified that Western Municipal has completed all work and punch list items in accordance with the plans and contract. The City can accept the project and execute the Final Payment. The project was completed within the contract time. The two year warranty period started at the time of substantial completion which was July 20, 2011. The delay between substantial completion and final pay was due to the final pay application only recently being submitted by the contractor.

**Fiscal Impact:**

This project was funded through Storm Capital Funds.

**Alternatives:**

The City Commission could vote to deny Final Pay

**Attachments/Exhibits:**

1. Application for Final Payment is attached. (Not available online; on file in City Clerk's Office)