



**Item:** Construction Contract Award: Grande Vista Park Storm Drain Extensions, O. F. 1542

**From:** Engineering Division

**Initiated By:** Public Works Department

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

**Action Requested:** Consider Bids and Approve Contract

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**Suggested Motion:**

1. Commissioner moves:

"I move the City Commission award a contract in the amount of \$297,432.50 to United Materials of Great Falls, Inc., for the Grande Vista Park Storm Drain Extensions, O. F. 1542, and authorize the City Manager to execute the construction contract documents."

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

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**Staff Recommendation:** Approve construction contract award.

**Background:**

Significant Impacts

The project will install storm drain inlets and pipe to improve drainage around Ferguson Drive and Grande Vista Park and also to remove problem standing water from the backyards of private residences at two locations along Delmar Drive.

Citizen Participation

Citizen complaints, primarily in the spring of 2011, prompted an accelerated schedule for these improvements. Permanent utility easements and temporary construction easements were provided by the property owners for the installation of field inlets and storm drain pipe to remove the problem standing water from their properties. Construction along Ferguson Drive and Delmar Drive will restrict through access on these roads during portions of the construction. Local access to residences adjacent to construction zones will be maintained.

### Workload Impacts

Design phase engineering and plans and specifications were completed by the City engineering staff with assistance from City park and recreation staff. City engineering staff will provide construction phase engineering services and project inspection.

### Purpose

Existing storm inlets and a main line located at the intersection of Buena Drive and Ferguson Drive provide an outlet for storm water runoff from the Meadowlark and South Park Subdivisions, but the existing conveyance through and around the park lacks the grade and continuity to prevent significant ponding on the roads and park during moderate rain events. The proposed project will collect storm water that currently ponds in the park and along Ferguson Drive in new street inlets and convey it through new storm drain pipe to the existing storm drain main line at Buena Drive. The new 24 inch storm drain pipe will also provide additional capacity for future connections.

The project will also remove standing water from the backyards of private residences along Delmar Drive. In the fall of 2009, storm drain field inlets were installed at four locations in the backyards of private residences and connected to new storm drain pipe in Delmar Drive. The proposed project will extend the Delmar Drive storm drain pipe north and install additional field inlets in backyards at two locations to drain problem areas that were not addressed by the earlier project.

### Project Work Scope

This project consists of 2,642 lineal feet of storm drain pipe, 8 manholes, 8 street inlets, 2 field inlets, and restoration of park sod and sprinklers, street pavement, sidewalk, and fencing and landscaping on private property. The project is scheduled for substantial completion in 75 calendar days.

### Evaluation and Selection Process

Six bids were received on June 22, 2012 with the bids ranging between \$297,432.50 and \$450,000.00. United Materials of Great Falls, Inc. submitted the low bid.

### Conclusion

City staff recommends awarding the contract to United Materials of Great Falls, Inc. in the amount of \$297,432.50.

### **Fiscal Impact:**

The attached bid tabulation summarizes bids that were received. City storm drain funding is programmed to fund this project.

### **Alternatives:**

The City Commission could vote to deny award of the construction contract and re-bid or cancel the project.

### **Attachments/Exhibits:**

1. Bid tabulation is attached.

