TO: James L. App, City Manager

FROM: Doug Monn, Public Works Director

SUBJECT: Contract Award – Landscape Improvements at Flamson Middle School

DATE: March 16, 2010

NEEDS: For City Council to consider awarding a contract to install landscape improvements at

Flamson Middle School.

FACTS:

- 1. In December 2003, as a result of the San Simeon Earthquake, Flamson Middle School auditorium and classrooms were damaged beyond repair and were subsequently demolished.
- 2. Replacement of the structure will be funded by FEMA; however FEMA's financial assistance is limited to replacement of the building only. It did not extend to repair/replacement of landscaping or public improvements.
- 3. During the review process associated with demolition of the Flamson building and the concept/architectural approval of its replacement, City Council pledged its support for the building's reconstruction.
- 4. The City's participation with Flamson reconstruction is being conducted in two phases. Phase 1 is surface improvements curbs, gutter and sidewalk reconstruction. Phase 2 is frontage landscaping along Spring and 24th Streets.
- 5. The first phase of the City's contribution is complete. The landscape portion is the subject of this staff report.
- 6. At the bid opening on January 7, 2010, nine bids were received as follows:

\$ 96,405.00
100,176.00
106,745.00
111,694.75
117,851.00
126,250.31
145,826.31
148,705.06
157,260.00

ANALYSIS & CONCLUSION:

Staff reviewed the low bid submitted by Toyon Landscapes and found an error in the bid. As a result, it was determined the bid was a non-responsive and non-responsible bid, and in accordance with the Public Contract Code the City cannot award the contract to Toyon Landscapes.

The next low bid, submitted Elite Landscaping in the amount of \$100,176, was examined by staff and found to be a responsive and responsible bid.

POLICY

REFERENCE: City Council adopted a budget for the Redevelopment Agency that included a project

to assist the School District with reconstruction of Flamson Middle School.

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IMPACT: Construction costs for the surface and landscape improvements at Flamson School

are being funded with Redevelopment Agency bonds in the amount of \$410,000. Surface improvement costs were \$266,000, leaving \$144,000 for the landscaping

portion of the project.

OPTIONS: a. Adopt Resolution No. 10-xx approving the following:

1) a finding that the low bid submitted by Toyon Landscapes was a non-responsive and non-responsible bid;

2) a finding that the next low bid, submitted by Elite Landscaping, is a responsive and responsible bid;

3) authorization for the City Manager to execute a contract with Elite Landscaping in the amount of \$100,176 to install landscape improvements at Flamson Middle School.

b. Amend, modify, or reject the above option.

Prepared by: Ditas Esperanza, P.E., Capital Projects Engineer

Attachments: Resolution

RESOLUTION NO. 10-

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF PASO ROBLES AWARDING THE CONTRACT FOR LANDSCAPE IMPROVEMENTS AT FLAMSON MIDDLE SCHOOL

WHEREAS, in December 2003, as a result of the San Simeon Earthquake, Flamson Middle School auditorium and classrooms were damaged beyond repair and were subsequently demolished; and

WHEREAS, replacement of the structure will be funded by FEMA, but FEMA's financial assistance is limited to building replacement only and will not extend to landscaping or public improvement; and

WHEREAS, during the review process associated with demolition of the Flamson building and the concept/architectural approval of its replacement, City Council pledged its support for the building's reconstruction; and

WHEREAS, the City's participation is being conducted in two phases: (1) surface improvements – curbs, gutter and sidewalk reconstruction; and (2) frontage landscaping along Spring and 24th Streets; and

WHEREAS, construction costs for the surface and landscape improvements at Flamson School are being funded with Redevelopment Agency bonds in the amount of \$410,000; and

WHEREAS, surface improvements have been completed, at a cost of \$266,000, leaving \$144,000 for the landscaping portion of the project; and

WHEREAS, bid documents were prepared and advertised for Flamson School landscaping, and at the bid opening on January 7, 2010, nine bids were received ranging in price from \$96,405 to \$157,260; and

WHEREAS, staff reviewed the low bid submitted by Toyon Landscapes and found it to be a non-responsive and non-responsible bid; and

WHEREAS, staff reviewed the next low bid, submitted by Elite Landscaping, and found it to be a responsive and responsible bid.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED AS FOLLOWS:

<u>SECTION 1</u>. The City Council of the City of El Paso de Robles does hereby find the low bid submitted by Toyon Landscapes to be a non-responsive and non-responsible bid.

<u>SECTION 2</u>. The City Council does hereby find the next low bid, submitted by Elite Landscaping, to be a responsive and responsible bid.

<u>SECTION 3</u>. The City Council does hereby authorize the City Manager to execute a contract for landscape improvements at Flamson Middle School to Elite Landscaping, in the bid amount of \$100,176.

PASSED AND ADOPTED by the City Council of the City of Paso Robles this 16th day of March 2010 by the following vote:

AYES: NOES: ABSTAIN: ABSENT:		
ATTEST:	Duane Picanco, Mayor	
Lonnie Dolan, Deputy City Clerk		