

Recommendation re: Award of Bid No. 2023-ITB-138 to DDS Enterprises, LLC. for Construction of the Josephine Street Sidewalk Project

The Josephine Street Sidewalk project (Financial Project No. 444290-1-58-01) will construct a five to six-foot wide concrete sidewalk and replace concrete driveways along the north and south sides of Josephine Street, between Central Avenue and Pinewood Avenue. The project also includes replacement of curbs and the addition of a concrete bus stop shelter pad with boarding alighting area at the corner of Josephine Street and Central Avenue.

The City's Purchasing Division initially advertised the project in March 2023 for 30 days and received no bids. Thereafter, Purchasing notified approximately 523 registered vendors in the State of Florida of this opportunity and readvertised the project for 30 days in September 2023. On October 18, 2023, the City's Purchasing Division received the following three bids:

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| 1. DDS Enterprises LLC, Pierson, FL | \$308,070.25 |
| 2. EZ Contracting LLC, Lake Mary, FL | \$338,380.00 |
| 3. DB Civil Construction, St. Augustine, FL | \$437,652.00 |

DDS Enterprises LLC emerged as the lowest, most responsive bid in the amount of \$308,070.25. Public Works conducted a comprehensive review of the proposal and determined the bid reasonable and fully responsive to the needs of the City.

The Josephine Street Sidewalk project is funded through a Local Agency Program (LAP) Agreement with the Florida Department of Transportation (FDOT) in the amount of \$380,000.00. The LAP Agreement was originally approved and executed by the City Commission in March 2020 with a maximum reimbursement amount for construction of \$330,000.00. FDOT will provide Construction Engineering and Inspection (CEI) services for the project through their continuing services contract.

This project is funded in the Transportation Fund CIP.

Staff recommends the City Commission approve the award of Bid No. 2023-ITB-138 to DDS Enterprises, LLC for the Josephine Street Sidewalk Project, and authorize the appropriate City officials to execute the construction agreement in the amount of \$308,070.25.

PROJECT LOCATION MAP

