

STAFF REPORT
City of Lancaster

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Date: July 27, 2010

To: Mayor Parris and City Council Members

From: Elizabeth Brubaker, Director of Housing & Neighborhood Revitalization

Subject: **Award of Bid - Housing and Neighborhood Revitalization Project No. 10-HNRD204 North Downtown Transit Village Pedestrian Project**

Recommendation:

Award Housing and Neighborhood Revitalization Construction Project No. 10-HNRD204, North Downtown Transit Village Pedestrian Project to Hondo Engineering, Inc. in the amount of \$146,230.00 (plus a 20% contingency). Authorize the City Manager, or his designee, to sign all documents.

Fiscal Impact:

The City of Lancaster allocated funding from the 2009-2010 Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) for primary and secondary neighborhood projects, including the North Downtown Transit Village Revitalization Project. \$175,476.00 (with 20% contingency) project funding will come from Account No. 361-4541771, where sufficient funds are available to complete this project.

Background:

On May 12, 2009 the City of Lancaster applied the annual CDBG entitlement grant for developing viable urban communities that encompasses decent housing and a suitable living environment for low- and moderate-income persons. The approved Action Plan included Neighborhood Rehabilitation & Improvements for neighborhood revitalization projects in several eligible neighborhoods, including the North Downtown neighborhood.

The North Downtown Transit Village is bounded by Avenue I, Kettering Avenue, Sierra Highway, and 10th Street West. The North Downtown Transit Village Master Vision Plan provides direction for staff and the residents of Lancaster to make change happen in the neighborhood. The Plan provides the necessary tools to compete for additional funding, to leverage funds more effectively and to remove blight, preserve work force housing and to make Lancaster the place where people want to live, work and play in the North Downtown Transit Village Neighborhood.

From June 17, 2010 to July 1, 2010, the Agency solicited bids from licensed firms for construction of the North Downtown Transit Village Pedestrian Project. On July 1, 2010, at 11:00 a.m., the City conducted a bid opening for the Agency's Housing and Neighborhood Revitalization Department's construction Project No. 10-HNRD204. The successful low bid was determined based on the Base Bid. Two sealed bid envelopes were received, opened, and read aloud. The bids were as follows:

	<u>Total Bid Amount</u>
1. Hondo Engineering, Inc.	\$146,230.00
2. FS Construction	\$178,260.00

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