

**STAFF REPORT**  
**City of Lancaster**

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Date: September 10, 2013

To: Mayor Parris and City Council Members

From: Robert C. Neal, Director of Public Works

Subject: **Award of Bid - Public Works Construction Project No. 12-010, Downtown Lancaster Gateway, 10<sup>th</sup> Street West and Lancaster Boulevard, FTIP ID LAF3830 (LA11G4T), RPSTPLE-5419(036)**

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**Recommendation:**

Award **Public Works Construction Project No. 12-010, Downtown Lancaster Gateway, 10<sup>th</sup> Street West and Lancaster Boulevard, FTIP ID LAF3830 (LA11G4T), RPSTPLE-5419(036)**, to MJS Construction, Inc. of Palmdale, California, in the amount of \$1,911,206.30, plus a 10% contingency, for installation of gateway improvements and authorize the City Manager, or his designee, to sign all documents. This contract is awarded to the lowest responsible bidder per California Public Contract Code Section 22038 (b).

**Fiscal Impact:**

\$2,102,326.93 (including 10% contingency) to be awarded; sufficient funds are available in Capital Improvements Budget Account Numbers 209-15ST030-924, 210-15ST030-924, 217-15ST030-924, 232-15ST030-924 and 371-15ST030-924. Associated annual maintenance costs are \$6,752.00.

**Background:**

The project involves the construction of gateway improvements at the intersection of 10<sup>th</sup> Street West and Lancaster Boulevard. This intersection is the westerly gateway to Downtown Lancaster and focuses on making Lancaster Boulevard a “Main Street” environment. The project includes the installation of curb extension (“bulb-outs”), landscaping enhancements around the intersection, parkways and medians and the installation of a gateway monument sign, plaza and decorative paving.

To avoid summer events and the holidays on The BLVD, construction of the Downtown Lancaster Gateway Improvements will not commence until January 2014 and is expected to be completed in May 2014.

This project includes \$727,159.00 funded by Federal Transportation Enhancement (TE) Funds, and therefore, the City of Lancaster is prohibited from applying the Local Hiring Preference requirements. Per Local Hiring Ordinance No. 977, the City shall not apply the Local Hiring Preference when a State or Federal law or regulation prohibits the use of a Local Hiring requirement.

On August 19, 2013, at 11:00 a.m., the City conducted a bid opening for Public Works Construction Project No. 12-010. Two (2) sealed bid envelopes were received, opened, and read aloud. The bids were as follows:

<u>Contractor</u>	<u>City</u>	<u>Bid Amount</u>
1. MJS Construction Inc.	Palmdale	\$1,911,206.30*
2. C.A. Rasmussen	Valencia	\$2,459,068.87
Engineer's Estimate		\$ 1,612,771.46

\*Corrected for mathematical error

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