



# General Services Agency

## COUNTY OF TULARE AGENDA ITEM

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**AGENDA DATE:** October 24, 2023-REVISED

Public Hearing Required	N/A
Scheduled Public Hearing w/Clerk	N/A
Published Notice Required	N/A
Advertised Published Notice	N/A
Meet & Confer Required	N/A
Budget Transfer (Aud 308) attached	N/A
Personnel Resolution attached	N/A
Agreement(s) attached	Yes

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**SUBJECT:** Award the contract for the Mooney Grove Park Pond Walkway Project

### **REQUEST(S):**

That the Board of Supervisors:

1. Waive the minor bid irregularity of S & W Construction for not submitting the bid to the Clerk of the Board of Supervisors County Administrative Office.
2. Award the contract for the Mooney Grove Park Pond Walkway Project to the lowest responsible and responsive bidder, S & W Construction, in the amount of \$2,113,596.61.
3. Authorize the Chair to sign the agreement.

### **SUMMARY:**

On August 29, 2023, the Board authorized the advertisement of bids for the Mooney Grove Pond Walkway Project. The Park is located at 27000 S Mooney Blvd, Visalia. The project consists of the complete replacement of the current walkway and pond banking. The selected contractor will provide a one-year warranty on the work. The contract documents allow 120 calendar days for construction.

On September 28, 2023, a bid opening was held at the County Administrative Office located at 2800 W Burrel Ave, Visalia at 2:00 PM. Approximately 10 minutes prior to bid opening, S & W Construction delivered a bid to the General Services Agency (GSA) Office located at 2637 W Burrel Ave, Visalia. Staff believed it to be a purchasing bid and opened the envelope. Staff subsequently realized that it was a Board Bid and redirected the S & W representative to the proper location along with a signed letter acknowledging receipt of the bid prior to 2:00 PM. Unfortunately, the bid opening had already occurred and only one other bidder, Sierra Construction, had submitted a bid.

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Both S & W Construction and Sierra Construction were notified of the circumstances. Sierra Construction elected not to protest due to the considerable difference in the proposals and explained they would not be able to reduce their price if a rebid were to occur. Therefore, County staff recommends accepting the bid from S & W Construction.

A total of two bids were received and are summarized below.

Contractor	Bid Amount
S&W Construction	\$2,113,596.61
Sierra Range Construction	\$2,616,414.92
Estimate	\$2,400,000.00

The low bid was submitted by S & W Construction in the amount of \$2,113,596.61. The bid was checked and found to be in order.

It is requested that the Board waive the minor bid irregularity, award the contract for the Mooney Grove Park Pond Walkway Project to the lowest responsible and responsive bidder, S & W Construction in the amount of \$2,113,596.61, and authorize the Chair to sign the construction agreement.

**FISCAL IMPACT/FINANCING:**

This project is funded by the Per Capita Grant program with the Department of Parks and Recreation (DPR) with an award amount of \$779,560 that will be reimbursed by DPR. The required County match of \$194,890 and the remainder of the project budget is funded in the Capital Projects budget line 030-086-3200-8125. There is no Net County Cost to the General Fund.

**LINKAGE TO THE COUNTY OF TULARE STRATEGIC BUSINESS PLAN:**

The County's Strategic Business Plan includes the Safety and Security initiative to provide for the safety and security of the public. The Mooney Grove Park Pond Walkway Project aligns with the initiative by providing improved facilities for the protection of the public and staff.

**ADMINISTRATIVE SIGN-OFF:**

**/s/ Kyle Taylor**

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Kyle Taylor  
General Services Agency Deputy Director

Cc: County Administrative Office

Attachments: Agreement with S & W Construction