

# SULTAN CITY COUNCIL

## AGENDA ITEM COVER SHEET

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Date: May 29, 2008

Agenda Item #: Consent C 10

SUBJECT: Lighted Crosswalk Bids

CONTACT PERSONS: Connie Dunn, Public Works Director

### ISSUE:

The issue before the Council is to reject the bids for the Lighted Crosswalk project and authorize staff to call for new bids.

### PROJECT DESCRIPTION:

A contract approving a grant for installation of two lighted crosswalks was approved December 18, 2006. One proposed walk is located at the corner of 3<sup>rd</sup> and High(Middle School) and the second is at 5<sup>th</sup> Place and Date Avenue( Elementary School).

### SUMMARY STATEMENT:

Bids for construction of the two lighted crosswalks were opened at City Hall at 10:00 AM, May 21, 2008. There were four plan holders, but only one actually tendered a bid. The lone bidder was Valley Electric Co, 1100 Merrill Creek Parkway, Everett, WA 98203. Bid was for \$99,600.00, for the two crosswalks. The City has received a CDBG grant of \$53,812.00 which leaves the project funding short by \$45,788.00 plus the costs necessary to pay for two power drops by the PUD, which are estimated at \$3,500.00.

### RECOMMENDATION:

Staff recommends the bid be rejected and staff be authorized to call for new bids.

### ALTERNATIVES:

Since the costs are well over the funds available, reject all bids and consider the following:

- Rebid and provide additional construction time.
- Purchase the parts and negotiate the installation with an electrical contractor.
- Purchase the parts and direct the City crew to install the warning lights and hire an electrician to install the control panel and electrical connections.
- Notify the CDBG and see if they can provide additional financial assistance or see if the school district could participate in the costs.
- Delete one of the crosswalks or other Council recommendations

### MOTION:

Move to reject the bid from Valley Electric fro the Lighted Crosswalk project and authorize staff to call for new bids.