



CITY OF LODI

COUNCIL COMMUNICATION

AGENDA TITLE: Adopt Resolution Rejecting Lowest Bid for Armory Park Bleacher Improvements, 333 N. Washington Street, and Award Bid to Next Lowest Responsible Bidder, Benton Fence and Drilling, of Galt (\$83,570.00)

MEETING DATE: November 7, 2001

PREPARED BY: Parks and Recreation Director

RECOMMENDED ACTION: That the City Council adopt a resolution rejecting the lowest bid for the above project and award the bid to the next lowest responsible bidder, Benton Fence and Drilling of Galt, in the amount of \$83,570.00 and appropriate funds in accordance with the recommendation shown below.

BACKGROUND INFORMATION: In September of 1999, Council approved the installation of new bleachers for the Softball Complex. The project was funded through 1998/99 Community Development Block Grant dollars in the amount of \$50,000. The project total for the Softball Complex scope of work was \$56,196.29 with the additional funds coming from Parks and Recreation Capital Improvement funds. The scope of work for this project was to provide and install (1) 30-foot five-tier bleacher and (1) 27-foot five-tier handicap accessible bleacher with ramps.

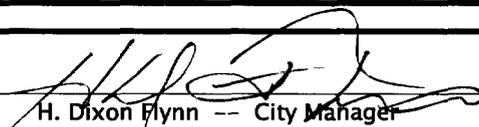
For the Armory Bleacher project, we used the same Request for Proposal outline, the only difference was that the Armory bleachers were to be (2) 27-foot five tier handicap accessible elevated portable bleachers with ramps. The specified bleachers are to accommodate wheelchair seating with safety guard railing that meets the 1997 Uniform Building Codes (UBC) and National Fire Prevention Association (NFPA) requirements. All bleacher components are to consist of understructure frames (no more than six feet on center), extruded aluminum alloy seat planks and foot planks, ramps, walkways, aluminum end caps, tubular extruded aluminum alloy guardrail system, and other incidental and related work detailed in the Request for Proposal.

The Parks Division staff used the same \$50,000 estimate for the Armory project because staff felt the reduction in one bleacher size would off-set the price to meet the project budget. Staff spoke with the contractor (Benton Fence and Drilling was the only responsible bidder) regarding the increase cost of the bleachers. Mr. Benton indicated that his labor had increased approximately \$450.00 from 1999 but that the major increase was in the bleachers themselves.

Request for Proposals for this project was approved on August 15, 2001. The City received the following two bids for this project:

<u>Bidder</u>	<u>Location</u>	<u>Bid</u>
Engineer's estimate		\$50,000.00
Benton Fence and Drilling	Galt, CA	\$83,570.00
Southeastern Seating, Inc	Tampa, FL	\$27,000.00

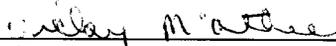
APPROVED: _____


H. Dixon Flynn -- City Manager

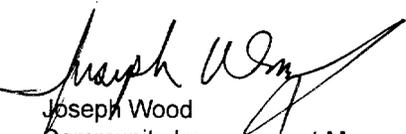
Staff is recommending that the Southeastern Seating bid be rejected due to guardrail material not meeting specifications. Staff requests the reallocation of \$34,000 from the 2000/01 CDBG Walnut Street Park Lot Project, which has been cancelled.

FUNDING: 2001/02 CDBG Funds (account to be established) \$50,000.00
Reallocation of 2000/01 CDBG Funds (account 456508) \$34,000.00
Bid opening date: September 19, 2001

Funding available:


Finance Director


Roger Baltz
Parks and Recreation Director


Joseph Wood
Community Improvement Manager

Prepared by Steve Virrey, Parks Project Coordinator

cc: City Attorney
Purchasing Officer
Parks Superintendent
CDBG Coordinator

RESOLUTION NO. 2001-258

A RESOLUTION OF THE LODI CITY COUNCIL REJECTING THE LOWEST BID FOR ARMORY PARK BLEACHER IMPROVEMENTS, 333 N. WASHINGTON STREET, AND AWARDING THE BID TO THE NEXT LOWEST RESPONSIBLE BIDDER, AND FURTHER APPROPRIATING FUNDS FOR THIS PROJECT

WHEREAS, in answer to notice duly published in accordance with law and the order of this City Council, sealed bids were received and publicly opened on September 19, 2001 at 11:00 a.m. for Armory Park Bleacher Improvements, 333 N. Washington Street, described in the Request for Proposal therefore approved by the City Council on August 15, 2001; and

WHEREAS, said bids have been compared, checked, and tabulated and a report thereof filed with the City Manager as follows:

<u>Bidder</u>	<u>Location</u>	<u>Bids</u>
Engineer's Estimate		\$50,000.00
Southeastern Seating, Inc.	Tampa, FL	\$27,000.00*
Benton Fence and Drilling	Galt, CA	\$83,570.00

*Note: Southeastern Seating bid for guardrail material does not meet specifications.

WHEREAS, the City Manager recommends rejecting the low bid from Southeastern Seating, Inc., for the Armory Park Bleacher Improvements, 333 N. Washington Street, and further recommends awarding the bid to the next lowest responsible bidder, Benton Fence and Drilling, of Galt, CA, in the amount of \$83,570.00.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Lodi City Council does hereby reject the lowest bid for the Armory Park Bleacher Improvements, 333 N. Washington Street, and hereby awards the same to Benton Fence and Drilling, of Galt, CA, the lowest responsible bidder, in the amount of \$83,570.00; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that funds be appropriated as follows:

2001/02 CDBG Funds (account to be established)	\$50,000.00
Reallocation of 2000/01 CDBG Funds (account 456508)	\$34,000.00

Dated: November 7, 2001

I hereby certify that Resolution No. 2001-258 was passed and adopted by the City Council of the City of Lodi in a regular meeting held November 7, 2001, by the following vote:

- AYES: COUNCIL MEMBERS – Howard, Land, Pennino and Mayor Nakanishi
- NOES: COUNCIL MEMBERS – None
- ABSENT: COUNCIL MEMBERS – Hitchcock
- ABSTAIN: COUNCIL MEMBERS – None


 SUSAN J. BLACKSTON
 City Clerk