

# City of La Quinta

CITY COUNCIL MEETING: September 15, 2015

## STAFF REPORT

**AGENDA TITLE:** ACCEPT ADAMS STREET SIGNAL AND STREET IMPROVEMENTS PROJECT

### RECOMMENDATION

Accept the Adams Street Signal and Street Improvements Project as 100 percent complete; authorize the City Clerk to file a Notice of Completion with the Office of the County Recorder; and authorize staff to release retention in the amount of \$34,753, thirty-five days after the Notice of Completion is recorded.

### EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

- This project entailed the installation of City-purchased traffic signal equipment, the construction of median islands, the application of slurry seal, and the installation of signage and striping on Adams Street between Highway 111 and the White Water Channel.
- The work has been completed. Staff is requesting City Council acceptance of the improvements in order to complete the contract and allow final payment to the contractor.

### FISCAL IMPACT

The following is the final accounting for this project:

Original Contract Amount	\$ 676,784
Contract Change Order Nos. 1-2	<u>\$ 18,263</u>
Final Contract Amount	\$ 695,047
<b>Project Budget</b>	<b>\$ 1,116,122</b>
Final Contract Amount	(\$ 695,047)
Traffic Signal Equipment, Utilities, Plans, and Other Miscellaneous Construction Costs	(\$ 135,000)
Design, Professional, Testing, Inspection, Survey, Personnel Budgets	<u>(\$ 231,000)</u>
<b>Funds Remaining</b>	<b>\$ 55,075</b>

Adequate funding exists to close out this project. The estimated cost for ongoing maintenance may range from \$8,000 to \$11,000 per year (not including signal upgrades

or knock downs). As a new traffic signal, maintenance costs are expected to be low but, as the signal ages, maintenance costs are expected to increase.

### BACKGROUND/ANALYSIS

The Adams Street Signal and Street Improvement Project was designed to relieve congestion and improve north/south passage on Adams Street between Highway 111 and the Adams Street Bridge. The new signalized intersection at Corporate Center Drive has also improved crossing Adams Street between the Kohl's parking lot and The Pavilion at La Quinta as well as other commercial developments along Corporate Center Drive.

On May 5, 2015, the City Council awarded a contract in the amount of \$676,784 to Granite Construction Company to construct the Adams Street Signal and Street Improvements (Project No. 2012-01).

Contract Change Order No. 1 was issued for the relocation of Kohl's parking lot lighting conduit that was encountered while grading for the new curb. Contract Change Order No. 2 allowed for striping and signage modifications to the Kohl's parking lot as well as reconciled bid quantities to the actual quantities installed.

The project was deemed substantially complete on August 12, 2015. Per project specifications, since the contractor finished the work early, no liquidated damages are applicable.

The project's construction effort is now 100 percent complete and is in compliance with the plans and specifications. Staff therefore recommends acceptance of the project and release of the retention thirty-five days after the Notice of Completion is recorded.

### ALTERNATIVES

Since the project has been constructed and reviewed for conformance to the plans and specifications, staff does not recommend any alternatives to the recommended action.

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