



MEMORANDUM

TO: MRA Board of Commissioners

FROM: Tod Gass, Project Manager

DATE: April 15, 2022

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SUBJECT: URD III Southern Sidewalk Project - Award Construction Contract

The URD III Southern Sidewalk Project was presented to the Board in June 2021 as a CIP item and the Board approved including the sidewalk project in the FY22 MRA Budget. Since last June, MRA has entered into an Agreement with DJ & A, P.C. for design, public process, and construction administration for the sidewalk project. This phase of the MRA URD III Sidewalk Program will install pedestrian facilities in the southern area of URD III in the vicinity of the South Crossing commercial area and connect to future redevelopment on S. Reserve Street. The project area is generally described as portions of 34th Street, Schilling Street, 36th Street, and 38th Street in the south end of URD III.

A Public Open House was held this past February to take public comment on the preliminary project design and the final design was completed this Spring. MRA advertised for construction bids earlier this month and three bids were received. The bids were opened on Friday April 15th and the low bid was submitted by Shadow Asphalt, Inc. of Missoula, Montana, in the amount of \$298,572.50. The low bid is 5% below the engineer's estimate of \$314,940.

Shadow Asphalt successfully worked with MRA on previous sidewalk projects in URD II and URD III and staff looks forward to again working with Shadow Asphalt to complete the URD III Southern Sidewalk Project. DJ & A has reviewed the Shadow Asphalt bid and found it to be responsive, correct, and complete and recommends awarding the construction contract to Shadow Asphalt, Inc.

STAFF RECOMMENDATION: Staff recommends the Board move to award the construction contract for the URD III Southern Sidewalk Project to Shadow Asphalt, Inc., in the amount of \$298,572.50, authorize the MRA Board Chairman to sign the construction contract, and authorize Staff to sign the contract documents to award the contract and proceed to construction of these public improvements.

