



Staff Report

TO: City Council
FROM: Robert L. Vestal, Public Works Director
Vincent Lopez, Project Manager
DATE: August 19, 2025
SUBJECT: Award a Public Works Agreement to Zeco, Inc

Description: Public Works Agreement to Zeco, Inc. for the Construction of CIP P-04 Sports Park Field Lighting and Expansion.

Background and Analysis:

Strategic Plan Target 5 – *Quality of Life & Community Well Being* – Goal 1 – calls to “*Advance the Sports Park Turf and Lighting project through the Construction Phase to enhance recreational opportunities, promote community wellness, and support a high quality of life for residents.*” The City of Beaumont is proposing to renovate its existing Sports Park located on the southeast corner of Beaumont Avenue and Brookside Avenue. The scope of work includes the removal of the existing turf and replacement with artificial turf, realignment of the existing sewer lateral, retrofitting the Musco sports lighting, and adding storm drains, curb and gutter, sidewalk, and fencing.

Bidding Information

On May 28, 2025, the City published the Request for Bids (RFB) for thirty-four (34) days in the City’s Planet Bids portal and Press Enterprise (local newspaper). On July 1, 2025, the City received ten (10) bids:

- Asphalt, Fabric & Engineering, Inc.
- Byrom-Davey, Inc.
- CS Legacy Construction, Inc.
- Environmental Construction
- KYA Services, LLC
- Los Angeles Engineering, Inc.
- RG General Engineering, Inc.
- R2BUILD
- 3Peaks Corp.

- Zeco, Inc.

Upon review of these submittals, the lowest responsive bidder is Zeco, Inc., with a Base Bid amount of \$3,957,661. The Bid Tabulation is provided in Attachment A.

Bid Protest

The City received one bid protest from Asphalt, Fabric & Engineering, Inc. (AFE) during the bid review process. The bid protest identified four issues as follows:

1. Zeco Inc. failed to list a subcontractor for synthetic turf that exceeds 0.5% of the general contractor's bid price.
2. A total of 10 synthetic turf projects have not been completed; therefore, Zeco Inc. does not possess the necessary qualifications for synthetic turf construction and installation.
3. A total of 10 synthetic turf projects have not been completed; therefore, RG Engineering Inc. does not possess the necessary qualifications for synthetic turf construction and installation.
4. RG Engineering Inc. does not meet the self-performance minimum for prime contractors.

City staff and the City Attorney concluded that the four issues do not provide substantial evidence to require a rejection of Zeco's bid as non-responsive. The City's responses to the issues are as follows:

1. In addition to possession of a Class A license, Zeco Inc. possesses a C-27 license that allows for turf installation. Therefore, not listing a subcontractor is irrelevant, and no issue of non-responsiveness has been proven by substantial evidence.
2. AFE submitted no evidence to support the claim that Zeco Inc. has not completed ten synthetic turf projects; however, Zeco Inc. acknowledges this and clarifies that Stephen Bingham from Shaw Sports Turf will be signing off on turf installation for this project. Stephan Bingham has installed 10 synthetic turf fields and is, therefore, qualified. As such, the City finds that no issue of non-responsiveness has been proven by substantial evidence, as variance from the request for bids is minor and inconsequential.

3. No evidence has been submitted to support the claim that RG Engineering Inc. has not completed 10 synthetic turf jobs; therefore, no issue of non-responsiveness has been proven by substantial evidence.
4. The Designation of Subcontractors indicated that the subcontractors are performing 44%, leaving RG Engineering, Inc. with 66% of the project. This is inconsistent with the claim submitted; therefore, no issue of non-responsiveness has been proven by substantial evidence.

Consequently, City staff recommends that the City Council award the Project to Zeco, Inc., as the issues raised by AFE do not require a finding of non-responsiveness based on substantial evidence.

Fiscal Impact:

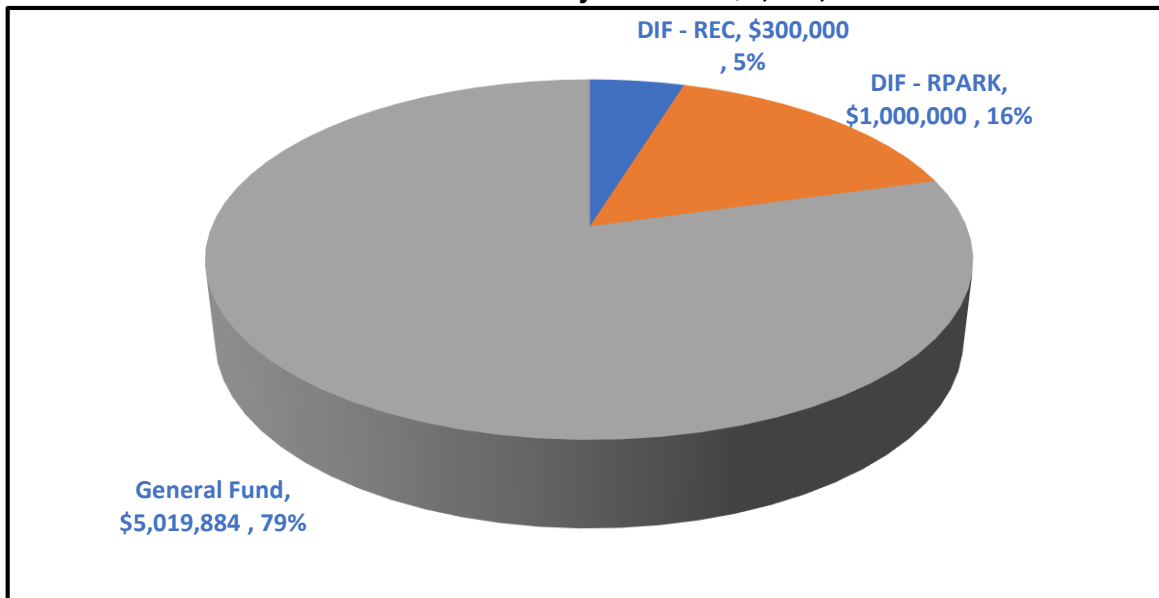
The cost to prepare this staff report is estimated to be \$350.

Funding for this Project is provided by CIP P-04 Sports Park Field Lighting and Expansion.

The following is a summary of the funding and budget for CIP P-04 Sports Park Field Lighting and Expansion (Project):

CIP P-04 Sports Park Field Lighting and Field Expansion Project Funding Summary

Estimated Project Cost= \$6,319,884



CIP P-04 Sports Park Field Lighting and Field Expansion Project Budget Summary

Project Component	Budget	Encumbered	Paid to Date	Remaining Budget
Project Management				
Preliminary Services	\$15,261	\$(15,261)	\$(15,261)	
Environmental	\$500	\$(51)	\$(51)	\$449
Design	\$124,210	\$(124,210)	\$(124,210)	
Permits				
Right-of-Way				
Construction	\$6,164,497	\$(48,664)		\$6,115,833
Construction Management				
Equipment	\$15,416	\$(15,416)	\$(15,416)	
Total	\$6,319,884	\$(203,602)	\$(154,938)	\$6,116,282

Recommended Action:

Approve the agreement with Zeco, Inc. for the construction of CIP P-04 Sports Park Field Lighting and Expansion (Project), for the period of August 19, 2025, through August 19, 2027, in an amount not to exceed \$3,957,661;

Approve the contingency of \$593,650 for a total not to exceed of \$4,551,310 and authorize the City Manager to sign off on any preceding amendments or purchase change orders within the authorized contingency amount; and

Authorize the issuance of a purchase order to Zeco, Inc. in the amount of \$3,957,661 for the purchase of construction services.

Attachments:

- A. Bid Tabulation – Sports Park Field Lighting and Expansion
- B. Public Works Agreement – Zeco, Inc.