



# MOUNTAINS RECREATION & CONSERVATION AUTHORITY

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## MEMORANDUM

TO: The Governing Board

FROM:   
Joseph T. Edmiston, FAICP, Hon. ASLA, Executive Officer

DATE: July 2, 2014

SUBJECT: **Agenda Item XII: Consideration of resolution authorizing a contract with W & N Luxor Construction, Inc. for construction of Ballona Creek-Milton Street Park.**

Staff Recommendation: That the Governing Board adopt the attached resolution authorizing a contract with W & N Luxor Construction, Inc. in the amount of \$1,918,000.00 for construction of Ballona Creek-Milton Street Park.

Background: The Ballona Creek-Milton Street Park project was put out for public bid in April 2014. Project construction will include demolition and clearing, grading, park construction, and landscaping. Improvements to the 1.2-acre park site will include pedestrian walkway/ramp/stairs, a shade structure, decorative gateway, gabion and retaining walls, fencing, native landscape and irrigation, and site furnishings. The bid also included an owner's allowance of \$50,000, and an additive alternate for the Milton Street green street elements, including Vegetated Stormwater Curb Extensions and related sidewalk modifications. The green street elements were made an additive alternate because the permit approval process from the City of Los Angeles has proceeded much slower than for the park elements.

On May 21, 2014, seven bids were received from general contractors. Section 3.2(c) of the MRCA's Purchasing and Contracting Procedures states that all construction and improvement contracts in excess of \$25,000 must be approved by the Governing Board. Staff, in consultation with MRCA's construction manager, reviewed the bids and references and found W & N Luxor Construction, Inc. to be the lowest responsive, responsible bidder in accordance with Public Contract Code section 20815 *et seq.* A Notice of Intent to Award Bid was issued on June 3, 2014. The full list of bids and W & N Luxor Construction's bid form are attached.

Consideration: Staff recommends authorizing the full amount including Bid Alternate 1 for a total of \$1,918,000.00. Initially only the base contract scope of work (including owner's allowance) for \$1,383,000 will be included in the contract. An amendment to add Bid Alternate 1 for \$535,000 will be issued after plans are

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approved by the City of Los Angeles, and after staff verify that W & N Luxor Construction can fulfill all requirements imposed by the City as part of the permit approval.