



May 16, 2024

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RE: **Outdoor Learning Phase 2 Project at Jose Antonio Vargas Elementary School Bid Review**

In our capacity as the District's Construction Manager, we have completed a review of the Bid Proposals submitted by all prospective bidders of the **Outdoor Learning Phase 2 Project at Jose Antonio Vargas Elementary School** that was bid on Tuesday, April 16, 2024, at 2:00 pm. One (1) bid was received for the subject project as follows:

- 1) Scapes, Inc. has a valid California Contractor's License with 'A' – general engineering, 'B' – General Building and 'C27' – Landscaping classification. The License is current and active.
- 2) Their proposed surety company, Contractors Bonding and Insurance Company, is licensed to do business in California and is rated A+ (Superior) by A.M Best Rating Center.
- 3) Their recent and past experience indicates that they are financially capable and possess the resources to perform on a project of this magnitude.
- 4) Their bid documents appear to be in order with all required submissions.
- 5) After publishing this project in the Daily Post, one (1) bid were received:

Scapes, Inc.

\$1,126,500.00

The construction budget for this project was \$552,137. After reviewing the bid received and talking with other perspective bidders, it was determined the higher than anticipated bid amount was primarily market and schedule driven. Many landscape contractors who would normally bid on this work were booked up during the planned construction over summer of 2024 by the time the project bid in April, leaving no competition for the project. It is our opinion that rebidding this work as part of the next phase of Outdoor Learning and Greening

project sites, along with some minor reductions to the scope of work will net more favorable results for the scope of work at Vargas.

In conclusion, based upon the above, it is our recommendation that the District reject all bids for the **Outdoor Learning Phase 2 Project at Jose Antonio Vargas Elementary School**.

Please do not hesitate to contact Greystone West Company with any questions or concerns.

Sincerely,
Greystone West Company



Jason Cave
Project Executive