



TOWN OF FAIRFAX

STAFF REPORT

August 16, 2017

TO: Mayor and Town Council

FROM: Garrett Toy, Town Manager

SUBJECT: Discuss/consider award of contract for the Forrest Ave road stabilization project (approximate location 345 Forrest Ave)

RECOMMENDATION

Discuss/consider award of contract for the Forrest Ave road stabilization project and either:

- 1) Award bid to the lowest responsible bidder, or
- 2) Reject all bids.

DISCUSSION

In February 2017, severe rainfalls caused portions of the roadway located near 345 Forrest Avenue in Fairfax, to become unstable and collapse. Forrest Avenue has been closed in that location since February. Staff was initially working with FEMA to secure reimbursement for the repair of the road. However, FEMA indicated the project did not qualify for FEMA funding, but may qualify for emergency relief funding from the Federal Highway Administration (FHWA). Staff has applied to Caltrans, who administers the FHWA program, for emergency relief funds.

In July, under the Town Manager's report, staff reported that we would be bidding out the Forrest Avenue project to keep the Town's options open. Federal guidelines require this project to be formally bid out. Bids were available July 20th. Bid opening was Thursday, August 10th. Attached is the bidder's list.

At the Council's August 2nd meeting, staff reported that Caltrans had not made any decisions regarding Forrest Avenue and that if funding were allocated to the project, the project would need to follow Caltran's normal project approval process. Failure to comply with the process would make the project ineligible for reimbursement. The approval process would most likely take several months, which would result in the project being delayed until the spring.

The Council indicated it would be willing to hold a special meeting to consider the Forrest Avenue project rather than wait until September to consider bids for the project.

As the project bids were opened on Thursday, August 10th at 2:00pm, staff did not have time to determine who the lowest responsible bidder was prior to the publication of the agenda packet. A supplemental staff report identifying the lowest responsible bidder will be distributed prior to the Council meeting.

FISCAL IMPACT

N/A

ATTACHMENT

List of bidders

AGENDA ITEM # 1

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**Forrest Avenue Roadway Stabilization
Bids**

August 9, 2017, 2:00 pm

<u>Name</u>	<u>Bid amount</u>
Hillside Drilling Inc.	\$399,520