COUNTY AGENDA REQUEST

Department:	Public Works - SPLOST	Presenter(s):	Phil Mallon
Meeting Date:	Thursday, September 22, 2011	Type of Request:	New Business

Wording for the Agenda:

Approval of staff's recommendation to award a contract for construction of Veterans Parkway, Phase II, Section 2 (SPLOST Project No. R-5) to E.R. Snell Contractor, Inc., in the amount of $3,405,810.75.

Background/History/Details:

The scope of this contract includes: traffic control, clearing and grubbing, erosion control, mass grading, rock excavation, fine grading, storm pipe installation, concrete work (curb and gutter), placement of graded aggregate base (GAB), temporary and permanent vegetation, guardrail installation and construction of a roundabout at Lees Mill Road. The project is nearly all new road construction and is approximately 2.8 miles long. The contract does not include asphalt paving (with the exception of roundabout construction), intersection work at SR 92, or construction of a new bridge over Whitewater Creek.

The procurement process for this award consisted of two stages. First, a Request for Qualifications was issued issued on July 26, 2011 and nine Contractors were ultimately determined to be pre-qualified and invited to bid on the project. Second, seven bids were received on September 14th and E.R. Snell was the low bid. References were checked as part of the pre-qualification process. The Contractor is pre-qualified by the GDOT and all other aspects of their bid met the project specifications. Additional justification for award of the contract is provided in the attached recommendation letter from Mallett Consulting, Inc.

Note: a portion of the bid amount is a function of the GDOT Asphalt Cement Price Index and therefore the actual unit prices for asphalt may be higher or lower, as pre-set in the bid, depending on the index value at time of paving.

What action are you seeking from the Board of Commissioners?

Approval of staff's recommendation to award a contract for construction of Veterans Parkway, Phase II, Section 2 to E.R. Snell Contractor, Inc., in the amount of $3,401490.75 ; and authorization for the Chairman to execute said contract pending review by the County Attorney.

If this item requires funding, please describe:

This is a transportation SPLOST project with sufficient funding available in account 321-40220-541210 R-5.

Has this request been considered within the past two years?	No	If so, when?	
Is Audio-Visual Equipment Required for this Request?	No	Backup Provided with Request?	Yes

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Approved by Finance	Yes	Reviewed by Legal	Yes
Approved by Purchasing	Not Applicable	County Clerk's Approval	Yes
Administrator's Approval	Yes		

Staff Notes:

Mallett Consulting, Inc.

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Re: Fayette County S.P.L.O.S.T. Program
Veteran's Parkway Phase II, Section 2
Review of Bids

September 14, 2011

Dear Phil:

Bids were received and read aloud on this date for the above referenced project. Qualification statements and reference information for all bidders were reviewed prior to the Bid. Bid results are as follows:

1.	**E.R. Snell Contractor, Inc.**	**$3,405,810.75***
2.	Baldwin Paving, Inc.	$3,994,167.87
3.	Southeastern Site Development, Inc.	$4,104,255.50
4.	CW Matthews, Inc.	$4,255,251.80
5.	Brad Cole Construction, Inc.	$4,328,060.26
6.	McCoy Grading, Inc.	$4,634,297.66
7.	GP's Enterprises, Inc.	$5,604,777.58

(* - Corrected for math error)

I have contacted the low bidder and confirmed that they are comfortable with their price, despite the gap between their bid and the next lowest bid. Based on this review, it is our recommendation that a contract be awarded to E.R. Snell Contractor, Inc., in the amount of $3,405,810.75. We are in the process of tabulating and checking all bids for mathematical errors. I will notify you should this review affect our recommendation or the final contract price. Upon completion of this review, we will forward a tabulation of all bids for your use.

Please let me know if you need any additional information or have any questions regarding this matter.

Sincerely,
Mallett Consulting, Inc.

David Jaeger, P.E.
Project Manager

cc: File 05110-R5