

STAFF REPORT

Date: March 26, 2025

To: Mayor and City Council

Through: Jackie Bryant, City Manager

Subject: Staff Report (For Possible Action): Award of Contract to Sierra Nevada Construction, Inc. for the 2025 Reno Preventative Maintenance Project in an amount not to exceed \$3,284,115. (Street Fund) [Ward 1, 2, 3, 4, 6]

From: Jonathan Smith, Senior Civil Engineer

Department: Public Works

Summary:

The City's Neighborhood Street Program provides for annual preventative maintenance to extend pavement life and improve infrastructure. This item is a contract for the 2025 Reno Preventative Maintenance Project, which includes surface treatment on approximately 49 centerline miles of road, patching on 64 streets, and overlay on 0.6 centerline miles of road. Staff received and opened three bids on February 27, 2025. Sierra Nevada Construction, Inc. (SNC) submitted the best bid pursuant to the requirements established in Nevada Revised Statute (NRS) Chapter 338. This project is included in the City's Capital Improvement Plan (CIP) budget for fiscal year (FY) 24/25. Work is scheduled to begin in spring 2025 and be completed by summer 2025. Staff recommends award of the bid to Sierra Nevada Construction, Inc. in an amount not to exceed \$3,284,115.

Consent Review	Yes	No
1. Is this item an annual or standard item that comes before Council for regular approval?	X	
2. Is this item an agreement required based on an item previously approved by Council?		X
3. Is this item included in the current budget approved and adopted by Council?	X	
Other Considerations		
What percent of the total City budget does this item represent?	0.4%	

Alignment with Strategic Plan:

Infrastructure, Climate Change, and Environmental Sustainability

Previous Council Action:

April 15, 1997 – Council adopted the Street Program Strategic Plan (SPSP).

Background:

The City of Reno maintains approximately 754 centerline miles of paved streets. Of these, 32 percent are regional streets managed under the Regional Transportation Commission (RTC) Street and Highway Program, which is funded through fuel tax allocations for surface treatments and rehabilitation. The remaining 68 percent are neighborhood streets, including residential, local collector, and industrial classifications, which are maintained using the City's Street Fund.

The Neighborhood Street Program, adopted by Council in 1997, oversees street rehabilitation and preventative maintenance for the City's neighborhood streets. The program divides the City into three areas—Northwest-Stead-Verdi, Northeast-Southeast, and Southwest—rotating maintenance efforts annually. Every three years, inspectors conduct visual surveys to assess pavement condition, identifying types and severity of deterioration. This data is used to calculate a Pavement Condition Index (PCI) ranging from 100 (excellent) to 0 (failing).

To extend pavement life, the program uses cost-effective maintenance methods, including slurry seals and asphalt milling and overlays. Slurry seals slow pavement deterioration and renew the surface, while milling and overlays remove and replace a portion of the deteriorated asphalt at a fraction of full reconstruction costs. These strategies have been instrumental in maintaining and even improving the City's average PCI. The program follows a clockwise rotation for annual maintenance, e.g., Northeast-Southeast in 2025, Southwest in 2026, and Northwest-Stead-Verdi in 2027.

Discussion:

The 2025 Preventative Maintenance Project consists of slurry sealing of streets in the Northeast and Southeast areas of Reno. This project's work scope primarily slurry seal, asphalt milling, asphalt overlays, concrete sidewalk placement for connectivity, and other miscellaneous work. This work is scheduled to start in April/May 2025 and will be completed by summer 2025.

The project was advertised for a public bid beginning on February 6, 2025. Staff received and opened three bids for the 2025 Preventative Maintenance Project on February 27, 2025. Sierra Nevada Construction, Inc. submitted the best bid pursuant to the requirements established in Nevada Revised Statute (NRS) Chapter 338. Sierra Nevada Construction, Inc. is a General Contractor licensed in Nevada which also originated in the Reno area, and they have completed Preventative Maintenance projects within the limits of the contract award amount. Table 1 below shows the bid results.

Table 1 – Bid Summary

2025 Preventative Maintenance Project	Engineer's Estimate	Sierra Nevada Construction, Inc.	Pavement Coatings Co	VSS International, Inc.
Total Bid	\$3,075,840	\$3,064,007.00	\$3,286,793.42	\$3,727,120.00

Staff recommends award to Sierra Nevada Construction, Inc. for the 2025 Reno Preventative Maintenance Project for \$3,284,115, which includes a \$220,108 contingency for unforeseen items encountered during construction. The consequences of not awarding this bid today will result in further deterioration of the streets.

Table 2 – Recommended Bid Award

Base Bid	\$3,064,007
Contingency	\$220,108
Award Amount	\$3,284,115

A material testing and inspection service agreement with Lumos and Associates for this project is also on this agenda for Council consideration and approval.

Financial Implications:

Funding for this project is available in the Street Fund as identified in the City of Reno FY25 CIP.

Legal Implications:

This Contract was competitively bid in accordance with Chapter 338 of the Nevada Revised Statutes (NRS). NRS 338.147 provides that a local government shall award a contract for a public work for which the estimated cost exceeds \$250,000 to the contractor who submits the best bid pursuant to the requirements of the chapter. Sierra Nevada Construction, Inc. is properly licensed to perform the project and submitted the best bid pursuant to State Law.

Recommendation:

Staff recommends Council award the Contract for the 2025 Reno Preventative Maintenance Project to Sierra Nevada Construction, Inc. in an amount not to exceed \$3,284,115 and authorize the Mayor to sign the Contract.

Proposed Motion:

I move to award the contract for the 2025 Reno Preventative Maintenance Project to Sierra Nevada Construction, Inc. in an amount not to exceed \$3,284,115 and authorize the Mayor to sign the Contract.

Attachments:

2025 Reno Preventative Maintenance SNC Contract

2025 Reno Preventative Street List

2025 Reno Preventative Map