





# **Award of Construction Contract Cole Park Pier Improvements**



City Council December 22, 2020



### Cole Park Pier



- Cole Park has had a fishing pier since the 1930's.
- The current reinforced concrete Cole Park Pier was constructed in 1971.
- The pier's condition has been deteriorating rapidly for several years.
- Funding was added to Bond 2018 for the Cole Park and Dimitt Fishing Piers.
- Access to the pier had been restricted and the first span of the pier collapsed in early 2018.





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- It was understood that the Bond funding was not adequate to complete both projects.
- Staff has been seeking supplemental funding to complete both pier projects.
- Type B has pledged \$4.4M.
- No external source of grant funding has been identified.





## Cole Park Pier Design Features



Public input was sought on features that users desired. The following features were included in the design based on public input:

- A wider walkway;
- shade structures;
- an observation area with seating;
- a large plaza area for events;
- more parking;
- new walkways connecting parking lots to plaza;
- electrical improvements & better lighting;
- at least 500 feet long (like the current pier ).







#### **Current Situation**



- The design was completed, and project bid in November 2018.
- The City received 3 bids on December 9, 2020.
- The lowest responsive bid was submitted by JM Davidson, Ltd of Aransas Pass, TX in the amount of \$7,542,527.00.
- The lowest bid exceeds currently available funds.
- Staff is recommending awarding the construction contract the lowest bidder, JM Davidson.
- This requires temporarily borrowing funds from Unreserved Fund Balance in order to certify funds.



## Next Steps



- Staff will negotiate a deductive change order after contract award in order to get the project within budget.
- This will require delaying approximately \$2.2M in project scope.
- Staff has analyzed the bids and believes this is feasible.
- The change order will probably delay most of the architectural features and land side improvements such as the parking lot and plaza.
- The pier itself will remain as designed at almost 500' in length.
- Funds will be returned to Unreserved Fund Balance after the deductive change order is executed.



## Questions

















