

**COMMUNITY REDEVELOPMENT AGENCY MINUTES
OCTOBER 15, 2008**

Mayor Brimer convened a regular meeting of the City Council at 7:00 p.m. on Wednesday, October 15, 2008, in the Council Chamber. The following were present: Mayor Mark Brimer, Vice-Mayor Joseph Ferrante, Councilman Sal D'Amato, Councilwoman Martha Kirby, Councilman Dominick Montanaro, City Manager Michael Crotty, City Attorney James Beadle, and City Clerk Barbara Montanaro, CMC.

Council convened as the Community Redevelopment Agency for the following agenda item:

DISCUSS/TAKE ACTION ON AWARD OF BID FOR HIGHTOWER BEACH PARK IMPROVEMENTS

David King of Quinton L. Hampton Associates, consultant engineer for the City, stated that the City received twelve bids and began bid opening at 2:30 p.m. on October 2. One late bid arrived as the bids were being opened. Mr. King gave an overview of his letter dated October 6, 2008, wherein he recommended that the bid be awarded to Joyal Enterprises, Inc., in the amount of \$651,007.46. Joyal's documents were complete and accurate; Joyal is well respected in the area's residential market and has recently re-entered the commercial/public market.

City Attorney Beadle stated that he had been asked to review the bid process because of letters the City received from McMaster Construction (the later bidder) and Ocean Gate that filed a formal protest.

Mr. Beadle summarized the bid process, stating that the bid was advertised on August 21 and a pre-bid meeting was held on September 17. He listed those in attendance at the meeting, including McMaster and Ocean Gate. McMaster's protest has no standing because their bid was received after other bids were being opened. Ocean Gate has no standing because it is the sixth low bidder.

Mayor Brimer asked for public comments. The following individual addressed Council:

- Bob Willey, Joyal Construction, stated that they are looking forward to building a park for the city. Their company has been in business for fifty years and has built other parks in the County.

ACTION: Councilman Montanaro MOVED, SECOND Councilwoman Kirby, to award the bid for Hightower Beach Park to Joyal Construction in the amount of \$651,007.46.
VOTE: ALL AYES. MOTION CARRIED.

Barbara Montanaro, CMC
City Clerk