

Board Agenda Item #:	II A- Action Item
Date:	January 15, 2019
To:	MPS Facility Committee
From:	Alfredo Rubalcava, CEO & Superintendent
Staff Lead:	Patrick Ontiveros, General Counsel & Director of Facilities
RE:	Approval of Potential Change Item (" <b>PCI</b> ") 17 for a New Wall Along the Southern Border of the MPS Property

# I. **Proposed Committee Recommendation(s)**

Staff moves that the MPS Facility Committee recommend the full Board of Directors of MPS (the "**MPS Board**") to approve Staff to authorize Oltmans Construction Company ("**Oltmans**") to construct a new 8-foot high wall at a cost not to exceed \$57,500 along the southern border of the MPS property.

# II. Background

# A. Description of MSA-1 Projects

There are two projects currently underway at MSA-1: (i) a new construction project at 18220 W Sherman Way ("**18220**") that will eventually house MSA-1's high school population (the "**New Construction Project**") and (ii) a rehabilitation investigation project of the existing building at 18238 W Sherman Way ("**18238**") that will eventually house MSA-1's middle school population once the New Construction Project is completed (the "**Rehab Investigation Project**"). The contract for the New Construction Project was awarded to Oltmans.

Concurrent with the aforementioned projects, MPS is seeking a zone change of the parking lots to allow flexibility in future development. A zone change will benefit MPS in two ways. One, it will resolve multiple violations of the conditions of approval attached to the zone variance MPS received for MSA-1 in 2015. Two, it will allow maximum flexibility for the future development of the parking lots without having to return to the city time and time again to seek variances.

## **B.** Why the Wall is Needed

In conjunction with the zone change application which will be submitted to the City of Los Angeles in either January or February, our land use consultant Rabuild Commercial LLC recommended that MPS offer up the wall as a mitigation measure. Not offering up anything will leave MPS vulnerable to having conditions attached that could be difficult to meet or expensive.



Offering to build a wall illustrates that MPS realizes it must take steps to mitigate its impact in the community and in particular to the residential neighbors to the south.

The wall will act as a buffer between MPS's property and the residential neighbors and in particular aid in preventing water from flowing from MPS's parking lots onto the residential properties. The wall will also act as a sound barrier, prevent balls from MPS going over the wall, and generally shield the residential properties from MSA-1's operations.

The new wall is needed in part to maintain good relations with the neighbors to the south who could voice opposition to the zone change to the City of Los Angeles planning commission. All claim that their fences and property have been damaged by the water that flows from the MSA-1 parking lots onto their property. To quote our consultant:

This was a self-imposed condition, to help obtain support from the neighbors. The neighbors are currently contacting the planning department and the council office angry that the drainage repair work was not completed, that the use is not in compliance of the variance and that the 16 foot wide landscape buffer has not been completed.

The wall was our calling card to the neighbors in order to obtain support. We need the abutting property owners support. Most likely if we do not off it, the case will drag on and we will be formally conditioned by the APC [Area Planning Commissioner].

The wall will be built on the 18238 and 18220 property two to three feet in from the property line since several neighbors do not wish their existing walls to be disturbed. See **Exhibit A-2** for an illustration of the proposed wall.

## C. Community Outreach and Support

The community has been kept apprised of the progress of the project—both the construction project and the zone change. The project enjoys broad support from Councilman Bob Blumenfield's office and the Reseda Neighborhood Council. MSA-1 has maintained relations with its residential neighbors to the south who are most interested in the site work that is part of the project which will establish a drainage system and new wall that will keep water from ponding and flowing onto their property. The new wall will shield their properties from any rain runoff and therefore the neighbors support it.

## **D. Description of Work Scope Under PCI 17**

PCI 17 is Oltman's change order request to proceed with installation of the wall. As mentioned, the wall is being offered as a mitigation measure for the zone change to be processed with the City of Los Angeles.

Oltmans will be using a wall system called the Proto II Wall that can be plan checked quickly. It is also less expensive than installing a custom CMU wall. Upon approval, the civil engineer will prepare plans showing the location of the wall which, along with a drawing from the



manufacturer of the wall system showing how the system is assembled and with a pre-approval stamp from the Department of Building and Safety

# **III. Budget Impacts**

PCI 17 and the costs thereof will eventually be incorporated into a change order. The budget previously approved by the MPS Board incorporates an allowance for site work that will cover the cost of the wall. Therefore, the overall budget for the New Construction Budget remains unchanged.

Exhibits:

Exhibit A-1 – Pictures of Existing Wall Exhibit A-2 – Location of New Wall and Pictorial Representation of the Wall Exhibit B - PCI 17



Existing Southern Wall of MPS Property – a hodge podge of different fences









# Exhibit B

(see following pages)

# Estimate Summary Magnolia Science Academy

#### Parking Lot Proto II Wall

PCI No. 017

#### Provide labor materials and equipment as required to perform the following changes:

See Oltmans COR cover sheet for description of scope of work

#### PROTO II WALL WITH CMU WALL RETURNS

Description	Totals	Notes
Proto II Wall Footing Excavation, Footing, Rebar, Wall, Cap, Wall Returns, Permit Fees	\$38,500	NO RETURNS.See attached Ross Masonry Email
CMU Wall Returns	\$3,000	See attached Ross Masonry Email
Survey	\$2,000	1 Mobilization
Export 30 CY Footing Spoils		Lump Sum 30CY at \$35/CY + Loading
Subtotal SDI	\$46,050 \$576	
Liability Insurance Bond	\$447 \$377	
OH & P Tax	\$2,354 \$60	
TOTAL	\$60 \$49,864	

QUALIFICATIONS: 1)

#### PROTO II WALL WITH FENCE PANEL RETURNS

Description	Totals	Notes
Proto II Wall Footing Excavation, Footing, Rebar, Wall, Cap, Wall Returns, Permit Fees	\$38,500	NO RETURNS.See attached Ross Masonry Email
Wrought Iron Fence Returns (6)	\$2,400	See attached Built Rite Fence CO dated 11/9/18
Survey	\$2,000	1 Mobilization
Export 30 CY Footing Spoils	\$2,550	Lump Sum 30CY at \$35/CY + Loading
Subtotal	\$45,450	
SDI	\$569	
Liability Insurance	\$441	
Bond	\$372	
OH & P	\$2,323	
Тах	\$59	
TOTAL	\$49,214	

## **Trevor Lawton**

From: Sent: To: Cc: Subject: Kelly Ross <rosskr@aol.com> Monday, November 19, 2018 8:08 AM Trevor Lawton; Jeff Rich; erik@rossconcretemasonry.com Elizabeth Lara; rosskr@aol.com Re: Magnolia Science Academy Proto II Wall

Trevor, See below. Thanks, Kelly

In a message dated 11/16/2018 4:13:47 PM Pacific Standard Time, TrevorL@oltmans.com writes:

Hi Kelly,

I left you a VM a little bit ago. Can you please let me know what the cost is without the returns (including the permit) just in case the owner wants to do wrought iron fence panels instead of CMU. Also I count 6 returns total. Can you please adjust your price in the previous email to reflect that.

i.e.

Straight wall with NO returns: \_**\$38,500\_\_\_\_\_** 

Wall with 6 returns: **\$41,500**\_\_\_\_\_

Thank you!

Trevor Lawton, CESSWI, QSP

Project Manager

## **Oltmans Construction Co.**

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## **Trevor Lawton**

From:Kelly Ross <rosskr@aol.com>Sent:Wednesday, November 14, 2018 10:30 AMTo:Trevor Lawton; Jeff Rich; erik@rossconcretemasonry.comCc:Elizabeth Lara; rosskr@aol.comSubject:Re: Magnolia Science Academy Proto II Wall

Trevor,

Yes that number includes all. The only demo I have is removing the walk way in the wall line. I really wouldn't know what to charge for hauling of footing spoils & concrete. There will be aprox 30 yards of dirt.

Thanks, Kelly



### Ross Concrete & Masonry, Inc.

Kelly R. Ross- President 27915 Smyth Drive Valencia, CA 91355 Ph.#661-257-7759 Fax#661-257-0109 Cell#661-510-4056 Email: rosskr@aol.com Website: http://www.rossconcretemasonry.com/ In a message dated 11/14/2018 9:08:48 AM Pacific Standard Time, TrevorL@oltmans.com writes:

Thanks Kelly. Just to confirm, your number includes all footing excavation, demo of the misc. items in the way that we walked (small concrete pathway), all reinforcing, footing, wall, concrete and gout? Pretty much a turnkey system except for the spoil haul off and staking. Can we get an add alternate for the spoils haul off?

Thanks,

**Trevor Lawton, CESSWI, QSP** 

Project Manager

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PROPOSAL SI	JBMITTED TO: Oltmans Construction	JOB NAME: Magnolia School -	Wing Panel
STREET:		LOCATION: Los Angeles, CA	
CITY, STATE a	nd ZIP CODE: Whittier, CA		
PHONE	FAX	CONTACT PERSON:	PHONE:
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