

# Mayor and Council Communication

**DATE:** 11/29/22

**M&C FILE NUMBER:** M&C 22-1014

**LOG NAME:** 20E LANCASTER CORRIDOR & SUB AREA STUDY CONTRACT

**SUBJECT**

(CD 4, CD 5, and CD 8) Authorize Execution of a Professional Service Agreement with WSP USA Inc. in the Amount Up to \$1,100,000.00 for the East Lancaster Corridor and Sub-Regional Planning Study

**RECOMMENDATION:**

It is recommended that the City Council authorize execution of a professional services agreement with WSP USA Inc. in the amount up to \$1,100,000.00 for the East Lancaster Corridor and Sub-Regional Planning Study (City Project No. 104254).

**DISCUSSION:**

On September 27, 2022, City Council approved Mayor and Council Communication 22-0783, which authorized funding for the East Lancaster Corridor and Sub-Regional Planning Study. The corridor study will develop a comprehensive multimodal implementation plan to further develop projects for State Highway 180 – East Lancaster Avenue from Jones Street to Dottie Lynn Parkway. (City Project Number 104254).

This Mayor and Council Communication (M&C) is to recommend engaging WSP USA Inc. as the engineer to perform professional services for this project. The project is expected to start in fall 2022 and be completed by spring 2024.

The Request for Proposals (RFP) was advertised on July 21 and on July 28, 2022 in the *Fort Worth Star-Telegram*. On August 18, 2022 the following response was received:

| Ranking Order | Proposers    |
|---------------|--------------|
| 1             | WSP USA Inc. |

WSP USA Inc. was selected as the successful candidate based on the following criteria: previous experience, effective planning processes and outcomes, project management/availability of consultant(s), work quality and references, and additional services, ideas, innovation or products. The solicitation was widely distributed and the sole proposer was deemed responsive and qualified by the proposal evaluation committee.

Funding is budgeted in the Transportation and Public Works Department's General Capital Projects Fund for the purpose of funding the East Lancaster Sub Area project, as appropriated.

M/WBE OFFICE - WSP USA Inc is in compliance with the City's Business Equity Ordinance by committing to 12% Business Equity participation on this project. The City's Business Equity goal on this project is 10%.

The East Lancaster Avenue Corridor is located in COUNCIL DISTRICTS 4, 5, AND 8.

**FISCAL INFORMATION / CERTIFICATION:**

The Director of Finance certifies that funds are available in the current capitol budget, as previously appropriated, in the General Capital Projects Fund for the E Lancaster Sub Area project to support the approval of the above recommendation and execution of the agreement. Prior to any expenditure being incurred, the Transportation and Public Works Department has the responsibility to validate the availability of funds.

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