City of Fort Worth, Texas

Mayor and Council Communication

DATE: 04/22/25 **M&C FILE NUMBER**: M&C 25-0383

LOG NAME: 20EAST BERRY STREET CORRIDOR FROM IH-35W TO MILLER AVENUE SCHE

SUBJECT

(CD 8 and CD 11) Authorize Execution of an Engineering Services Agreement with Kimley-Horn and Associates, Inc. in the Amount of \$996,692.00 for the Preliminary Design and Preparation of Construction Documents for the East Berry Street Corridor from Interstate Highway-35 West to Miller Avenue Schematic Planning Project (2022 Bond Program)

RECOMMENDATION:

It is recommended that the City Council Authorize execution of an Engineering Services Agreement with Kimley-Horn and Associates, Inc. in the amount of \$996,692.00, for the Preliminary Design and Preparation of Construction Documents for the East Berry Street Corridor from Interstate Highway-35 West to Miller Avenue Schematic Planning Project (City Project No. 104222).

DISCUSSION:

The purpose of this Mayor and Council Communication (M&C) is to authorize an engineering services agreement with Kimley Horn and Associates Inc. in the amount of \$996,692.00 for the East Berry Street Corridor from Interstate Highway-35 West (IH-35W) to Miller Avenue Schematic Planning Project (East Berry Street Schematic).

On May 7, 2022, City of Fort Worth voters approved the 2022 Bond Program, Proposition A, Streets and Mobility Infrastructure Improvements which includes \$2.2 million in funding for implementation of the Berry Street Corridor improvement project (City Project No. (CPN) 104222) from IH-35W to Martin Luther King Freeway (US 287). This corridor schematic planning project will encourage complete street designs to enhance safety and comfort for all users, support transit, and provide necessary elements for swift capital delivery and economic development.

On September 13, 2022, City Council approved M&C 22-0689 which authorized funding for the East Berry Street Corridor Project. The project extends from IH-35W to Cravens Road, along the western shore of Lake Arlington. The 18-month corridor project included preliminary engineering for a multi-modal, walkable mixed-use corridor (CPN 104214).

On November 29, 2022, City Council authorized the execution of a professional services agreement with Kimley Horn and Associates Inc. (Kimley Horn) for the East Berry Street Corridor Study which includes recommendations for the re-design of East Berry Street (M&C 22-1007).

In anticipation of the East Berry Street Corridor Study plan being adopted on April 22 2025, Kimley Horn will, if authorized, use the recommendations and the findings in the study (including public input) and create a preliminary design schematic of the roadway corridor from IH-35W to Miller Avenue. The schematic will get the project ready for environmental clearance and future funding opportunities.

The Funding for the Berry Streets Capital Improvements project (CPN 104222) is summarized in the table below:

Fund	Existing Funding	Additional Funding	Project Total
34027 - 2022 Bond Program	\$2,200,000.00	\$0.00	\$2,200,000.00
Project Design Total	\$2,200,000.00	\$0.00	\$2,200,000.00

The actions in this M&C will not amend the 2025-2029 Capital Improvement Program. All funds are currently in the project budget as shown in the table above. Transportation and Public Works (TPW) Department Funding is budgeted in the East Berry Capital Improvement Project within the 2022 Bond Program Fund for the purpose of funding the East Berry Street Schematic, as appropriated.

Based on the MWBE availability, this projects MWBE goal is set at 12.90%.

The Business Equity Division placed a 12.90% business equity goal on this solicitation/contract. Kimley-Horn and Associates, Inc., will be exceeding the goal at 16.26%, meeting the City's Business Equity Ordinance. Any changes in subcontractors will be reviewed by the Business Equity Division.

This project is included in the 2022 Bond Program. The City's Extendable Commercial Paper (ECP) (M&C 22-0607; Ordinance 25675-08-2022) provides liquidity to support the appropriation. Available resources will be used to make any interim progress payments until the debt is issued. Once debt associated with a project is sold, debt proceeds will reimburse the interim financing source in accordance with the statement expressing official Intent to Reimburse that was adopted as part of the ordinance canvassing the bond election (Ordinance 25515-05-2022).

The East Berry Street Corridor is located in COUNCIL DISTRICTS 8, AND 11.

A Form 1295 is not required because: This contract will be with a publicly-traded business entity or a wholly-owned subsidiary of a publicly-traded business entity: Kimley-Horn and Associates, Inc.

FISCAL INFORMATION / CERTIFICATION:

The Director of Finance certifies that funds are available in the current capital budget, as previously appropriated, in the 2022 Bond Program Fund for the Berry Street Capital Imps 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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