

Mayor and Council Communication

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M&C FILE NUMBER: M&C 24-0568

LOG NAME: 20MCCART AVENUE CORRIDOR PLAN CONTRACT

SUBJECT

(CD 6, CD 8 and CD 9) Authorize Execution of a Professional Services Agreement with Halff Associates Inc. in an Amount Up to \$850,000.00 for the McCart Avenue Corridor Plan Project

RECOMMENDATION:

It is recommended that the City Council authorize execution of a professional services agreement with Halff Associates Inc. in the amount up to \$850,000.00 for the McCart Avenue Corridor Plan project (City Project No. 104757).

DISCUSSION:

The corridor study will develop a comprehensive multimodal implementation plan to develop capital projects for the McCart Corridor, which is a regional minor arterial that runs primarily in the City of Fort Worth, north to south, but will eventually connect with the cities of Burleson and Crowley. This study examines about 10 miles of the southern portion of this corridor from near Interstate 20 (SW Loop 820) to the Burleson City Limits. This plan will develop a set of context-sensitive capital projects and form-based zoning code that supports different modes of transportation and a sense of place. The study will advance economic and community development concepts.

This Mayor and Council Communication (M&C) is to authorize Halff Associates Inc. as the engineer to perform professional services for this project. The project is expected to start in summer of 2024 and be completed by summer 2025.

A Request for Proposals (RFP) was advertised on April 14 and April 20, 2023 in the *Fort Worth Star-Telegram*. On June 8, 2023 the following responses were received:

Ranking Order	Proposers
1	Halff Associates Inc.
2	Freese & Nichols
3	Alliance Transportation Group

An evaluation committee comprised of staff from the TPW Transportation Management, Capital Delivery, and Regional Transportation and Innovation (RTI) Divisions, along with a representative from the Economic Development Department, reviewed the RFP submittals and scored each submittal based on the same established criteria. Scores were tabulated and ranked and Halff Associates Inc. was the highest scoring firm. This firm was selected as the successful candidate based on the following criteria: previous experience, effective planning process and project development outcomes, project management, availability of consultant(s), work quality and references, and additional services, ideas, innovation or products.

Funding is budgeted in the Transportation and Public Works Department's General Capital Projects Fund for the purpose of funding the McCart Avenue Corridor Plan project, as appropriated.

M/WBE OFFICE - Halff Associates Inc. is in compliance with the City's Business Equity Ordinance by committing to 20.57% Business Equity participation on this project. The City's Business Equity goal on this project is 10%.

The McCart Avenue Corridor Plan project is located in COUNCIL DISTRICT 6, 8, and 9.

FISCAL INFORMATION / CERTIFICATION:

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

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