# City of Fort Worth, Texas Mayor and Council Communication

DATE: 11/29/22

## M&C FILE NUMBER: M&C 22-1011

LOG NAME: 20E GRAND AVENUE SIDEWALK PROJECT

## SUBJECT

(CD 2) Authorize Execution of an Engineering Services Agreement with Jacobs Engineering Group, Inc in the Amount of \$279,995.00 for Grand Avenue Sidewalk Project (2018 Bond Program)

## **RECOMMENDATION:**

It is recommended that the City Council authorize execution of an Engineering Services Agreement with Jacobs Engineering Group, Inc. in the amount of \$279,995.00 for Grand Avenue Sidewalk Project (City Project No.104220).

#### **DISCUSSION:**

This Mayor and Council Communication (M&C) will authorize the execution of an Engineering Services Agreement with Jacobs Engineering Group, Inc. in the amount of \$279,995.00 for the Grand Avenue Sidewalk project (City Project No.104220).

The project generally includes design plans and specifications for sidewalk improvements on Grand Avenue from Northside Drive to North Main Street (City Project No. 104220). The contract scope for this project is to provide a new sidewalk, new Americans with Disability Act (ADA) ramps, connecting to existing sidewalks on side streets, and updating any existing sidewalk elements to meet current City ADA guidelines. A pedestrian fatality occurred at this location in 2021. The project will include any needed right-of-way acquisition and utility adjustments to provide for the new sidewalk.

In April 2020, the Transportation and Public Works Department (TPW), Capital Delivery Division, published a Request for Qualifications (RFQ) for various engineering consulting services. Category 16 – Specialty Area – Pedestrian/Bicycle Facility Development Task Order Contracts were utilized for this selection. An evaluation team of City staff subject matter experts from the Capital Delivery Division of TPW scored the submitted Statements of Qualifications (SOQ) based on company experience, prior projects, workload, and team experience. A pool of nine (9) firms were prequalified for Category 16 – Specialty Area – Pedestrian/Bicycle Facility Development. Multiple contracts will be awarded in this category and the highest scoring firm based on the July 9, 2020 attachment was selected for the largest project. This firm was second on the list and selected for this project as the most qualified consultant to perform design services for this project after the firm listed above them was awarded a contract at this time.

Funding for the Grand Avenue Sidewalk project is summarized in the table below:

Fund	Existing Funding	Project Total
34018 – 2018 Bond Program	\$450,000.00	\$450,000.00
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This project is included in the 2018 Bond Program. Available resources within the General Fund will be used to provide interim financing until debt is issued. Once debt associated with the project is sold, bond proceeds will reimburse the General Fund in accordance with the statement expressing official Intent to Reimburse that was adopted as part of the ordinance canvassing the bond election (Ordinance No. 23209-25-2018) and subsequent actions taken by the Mayor and Council.

Funding is budgeted in the TPW Dept Highway & Streets Department Department's 2018 Bond Program Fund for the purpose of funding Grand Avenue Sidewalk project, as appropriated.

M/WBE Compliance with the City's Business Equity Ordinance has been achieved by the following method: Jacobs is in compliance with the City's Business Equity Ordinance by committing to 14% Business Equity participation on this project. The City's Business Equity goal on this project is 11%.

This project is located in COUNCIL DISTRICT 2.

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: JACOBS ENGINEERING GROUP INC

#### FISCAL INFORMATION / CERTIFICATION:

The Director of Finance certifies that funds are available in the current capital budget, as previously appropriated, in the 2018 Bond Program for the Grand Avenue Sidewalk Project to support the approval of the above recommendation and award of the contract. 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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