




AGENDA REPORT

TO: Edward D. Reiskin
City Administrator

FROM: Ryan Russo
Director

SUBJECT: 42nd Ave and High Street Access
Improvement Design Contract

DATE: June 10, 2020

City Administrator Approval 

Date: Jul 21, 2020

RECOMMENDATION

Staff Recommends That The City Council Approve A Resolution Authorizing The City Administrator Or Designee To Enter Into A Professional Services Agreement With Wood Rodgers For Consulting Services And Construction Support For The 42nd Avenue And High Street Access Improvement Project (City Project No. 1003983) For An Amount Not To Exceed Five Hundred And Twenty-Five Thousand Dollars (\$525,000) And To Waive The Competitive Request For Qualifications/Proposal (“RFQ/P”) Requirement.

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

Approval of this resolution will: 1) waive the competitive Request for Proposal (RFP) requirements for a professional services contract with Wood Rodgers for an amount not-to exceed Five Hundred and Twenty Five Thousand Dollars (\$525,000), and 2) authorizes the City Administrator or Designee to negotiate and execute a professional services contract between the City of Oakland and Wood Rodgers in an amount not-to-exceed Five Hundred and Twenty Five Thousand Dollars (\$525,000) for design and construction support services for safety and operational improvements at the project site. As the Engineer of Record for the project it is in the City’s interest to ensure that support for the project is provided in a cohesive and seamless manner. In addition, it ensures that the same entity is responsible for all design related decisions on the project for liability reasons.

BACKGROUND / LEGISLATIVE HISTORY

The project scope in question will extend 42nd Avenue to Alameda Avenue from I-880 Southbound Off-Ramp. It will include reconstruction of a portion of the south bound off-ramp intersection. In addition, the project will widen High Street under I-880 overpass, modify the intersections of High Street/Coliseum Way and High Street/Oak Street and repave the existing roadways. The Project Design and Right of Way Acquisition was funded by Caltrans, Regional Surface Transportation Program (RSTP). The upcoming construction budget is estimated at Ten Million Dollars (\$10,000,000) to be funded by Alameda County Transportation Authority (ACTC) Measure B, Measure BB, Vehicle. The project location map is shown in **Attachment A**.

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Registration Fund ("VRF"), Transportation Fund for Clean Air ("TFCA") and One Bay Area Grant ("OBAG") funds.

In the past years, during the right of way acquisition phase, starting from February 4, 2010 Wood Rodgers performed several tasks on the 42nd Avenue and High Street Access Improvement Project under on-call design services contracts. They provided technical assistance to acquire Caltrans encroachment permit, complete environmental documents and revise the engineering plans. As the Engineer of Record Wood Rodgers is very familiar with the project, and as such it will be cost and time effective to sole source the remaining engineering, permit, certification, bid award, and construction support to Wood Rodgers.

Staff is currently working with Home Depot, Utilities Companies and Caltrans so that the project may proceed to construction. Wood Rodgers will provide various services that include but not limited to encroachment permit, right of way, surveying, maps, environmental document, plan updates, and construction support.

ANALYSIS AND POLICY ALTERNATIVES

The project is funded by Regional Surface Transportation Program. The original award of the project to Wood Rodgers for project support was qualifications based, and in compliance with the consultant selection process. Given the familiarity of Wood Rodgers with the project thus far, it is most cost and time effective to hire Wood Rodgers for the additional design and permit related services necessary to advance the project to the bid-award phase. This option has the least impact to project budget and delivery schedule.

Waive the Request For Proposal Requirements

As stated above, it is most cost effective and expeditious to hire Wood Rodgers. Also, hiring Wood Rodgers has the least impact to project budget and delivery schedule. Hence, staff finds that it is in the best interest of the City to hire Wood Rodgers, and recommends that the City Council waive the Request for Proposal (RFP) requirements. Waiving RFP and associated requirements for professional services contract greater than fifty thousand dollars (\$50,000) requires City Council approval.

Oakland Municipal Code, Section 2.04.051 (B) reads: Upon a finding by the City Administrator that it is in the best interests of the City, the City Administrator may waive said RFP/Q requirements for professional services contracts up to fifty thousand dollars (\$50,000). Upon a finding by the City Council or its designee that it is in the best interests of the City, the City Council may waive said RFP/Q requirements for contracts in any amount.

The alternative is to issue a formal Request for Proposal (RFP) and enter into a new contract with another firm. This will result in higher consultant fees, increased staff time, and substantial delay that could be up to 12 months.

FISCAL IMPACT

The total cost of the contract will be not to exceed \$525,00.00 to provide various services that include but not limited to encroachment permit, right of way, surveying, maps, environmental document, plan update and construction support.

- The source of funds; Department of Transportation Measure KK Fund 2nd Tranche (5332), Project No.1003983, Organization CIP- Capital Projects 92246, Expense Architectural and Engineering Services 54411, Task 5.0, Award 23686.

PUBLIC OUTREACH / INTEREST

During the planning and design phases of this project, staff reached out and coordinated with stakeholders, nearby businesses, and property owners. Currently staff is coordinating with Home Depot and Caltrans towards project construction. Through the District 5 Council Office and the then area Unity Council, community outreach meetings were conducted in the area. The project was well supported. Staff will conduct additional outreach before project goes to advertisement.

COORDINATION

The Office of the City Attorney and the Budget Bureau have reviewed this report and resolution. The project deliverables will be reviewed and coordinated with:

- California Department of Transportation (Caltrans)
- OPW Project Delivery
- OPW Infrastructure Maintenance Division
- DOT Electrical Services Division

SUSTAINABLE OPPORTUNITIES

Economic: This project will improve transportation conditions, make the 42nd Avenue and High Street easier to navigate, reduce traffic congestion, and enhance connectivity among surface streets and I-880. The project improvements will enhance the efficiency and affordability of the transportation network and increase the potential for economic development in the neighborhood by improved access. Furthermore, the construction contract will create job opportunities for the residents through the City's Local Business Enterprise/Small Local Business (LBE/SLBE) contracting requirements.

Environmental: This project will implement the Best Management Practices for the protection of storm water runoff during construction to prevent pollutants from entering the storm drain systems.

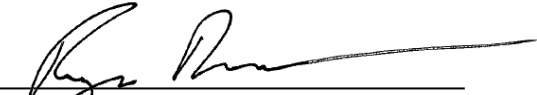
Race & Equity: The project will result in greater mobility, accessibility and safety for pedestrians, bicycles, transit, and vehicular traffic. Improving pedestrian facilities is the key in promoting walking as a viable mode of transportation. The project vicinity consists of two gas stations, a MacDonald restaurant, gas and food stations, Home Depot and other walking attractions. The area walkability indices range between average of 55 to 88 according to the Redfine.com data. The project site is in an area of the City with a moderate equity scores which range from 0.40 to 0.60. Typically, an equity score of 0.50 or higher is considered to be a disadvantaged community. The equity index score is based on a number of socio-economic factors including income, education, housing and ethnicity. Overall equity index scores range between 0 and 1.

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Respectfully submitted,



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Attachment (1)

Attachment A: Vicinity Map