

 <p style="text-align: center;">Council Communication Office of the City Manager</p>	Date: September 8, 2014
	Agenda Item No. 7 Roll Call No. <u>14-1351</u> Communication No. <u>14-441</u> Submitted by: Pamela S. Cooksey, P.E., Interim City Engineer

AGENDA HEADING:

Approving Professional Services Agreement with Kirkham Michael & Associates, Inc. for design services for the Southeast Connector – S.E. 30th Street to U.S. 65, not to exceed \$1,229,000.

SYNOPSIS:

Recommend approval of the Professional Services Agreement with Kirkham Michael & Associates, Inc. (Michael S. Olson, P.E., President, 12700 West Dodge Road, Omaha, NE) for a total cost not to exceed \$1,229,000, based on hourly rates, to provide professional services for planning and concept design of the Southeast Connector – S.E. 30th Street to U.S. 65.

FISCAL IMPACT:

Amount: \$1,229,000 (initial notice to proceed is \$690,000)

Funding Source: Various Funding Sources, as follows:

- \$989,000 – 2014-15 Capital Improvement Program (CIP), Page – 32, Southeast Connector – S.E. 30th Street to U.S. 65, STR256 G.O. Bonds
- \$240,000 – Transfer from 2014-15 CIP, Page Street – 31, Southeast Connector – S.E. 14th to S.E. 30th Street, STR249, G.O. Bonds

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION:

The Southeast Connector will provide the City a safe, efficient, and direct route from downtown to U.S. 65 on the southeast side of the metropolitan area and will help spur economic development along the corridor. This segment between S.E. 30th Street to U.S. 65, will significantly improve the transportation network in the southeast area of the City and facilitate the planned expansion of Kemin Industries. On May 27, 2010, the Federal Highway Administration signed the Record of Decision for the Southeast Connector from S.E. 14th Street to Highway U.S. 65.

This project will be completed in phases as federal, state and local matching funds become available. To date, the following funds have been allocated:

Des Moines Area Metropolitan Planning Organization (MPO) –
\$2,550,000 of Surface Transportation Program (STP) funds in Fiscal Year (FY) 2017 for S.E. 30th Street to U.S. 65
\$1,032,000 of STP Funds in FY2018 for S.E. 30th Street to U.S. 65.

The professional services agreement is structured to award the planning and concept design in two phases, depending on available funding. Discussions have been initiated with the City of Pleasant Hill. An agreement is being drafted to describe how we will work together to proceed with this section of the Southeast Connector.

The Request for Proposals (RFP) was posted on the City's website and sent to 90 consultant firms in July 2004. The mailing list included firms prequalified by Iowa Department of Transportation (IDOT) in the major work categories and Disadvantaged Business Enterprise (DBE) firms that perform work related to the RFP. Six firms submitted proposals. The three highest-ranking firms were invited for interviews. The selection committee consisted of a business representative, Plan and Zoning Commission member, City Councilmember and City staff. Kirkham Michael presented a comprehensive team of consultants that complemented each other. Overall, the selection committee agreed that this team would best represent the City through their approach to both public involvement and design. Due to limited funding, anticipated project duration, and the need to complete the environmental work first, the initial agreement scope of work did not include all the work that was included in the RFP and basis for selection. Staff has negotiated a Professional Services Agreement with Kirkham Michael & Associates, Inc., for a total cost not to exceed \$1,229,000, based on hourly rates, to provide design services required for the Southeast Connector – S.E. 30th Street to U.S. 65.

PREVIOUS COUNCIL ACTION(S):

Date: January 26, 2009

Roll Call Number: [09-137](#)

Action: [Authorizing](#) notification of the City's preferred alternative for the Southeast Connector. ([Council Communication No. 09-031](#)) Moved by Meyer to adopt. Motion Carried 7-0.

BOARD/COMMISSION ACTION(S): NONE

ANTICIPATED ACTIONS AND FUTURE COMMITMENTS:

Agreement with the City of Pleasant Hill and normal Council actions on consultant agreements, including supplemental agreements for future design services.

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