

Council Communication

Office of the City Manager

Date: January 9, 2017

Agenda Item No. 8

Roll Call No. 17-0010
Communication No. 17-006

Submitted by: Pamela S. Cooksey,

P.E., City Engineer

AGENDA HEADING:

Approving Professional Services Agreement with Foth Infrastructure and Environment, LLC, for professional services for 63rd Street and Creston Avenue Traffic Signals, not to exceed \$31,000.

SYNOPSIS:

Recommend approval of the Professional Services Agreement with Foth Infrastructure and Environment, LLC, Patrick Kueter, Principal-in-Charge, 8191 Birchwood Court, Suite L, Johnston, IA 50131, for a total cost not to exceed \$31,000, based on hourly rates, to provide professional services for new traffic signals at 63rd Street and Creston Avenue, interconnection to the traffic signals at 63rd Street and Park Avenue, and the addition of a westbound left turn lane on Creston Avenue at 63rd Street.

FISCAL IMPACT:

<u>Amount</u>: \$31,000

Funding Source: 2016-2017 CIP, \$31,000 Streets—Page-45, Traffic Signals, Channelization, and

School Crossings, TR091, GO Bonds.

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION:

On April 6, 2015, under Roll Call No. 15-0635, Des Moines City Council requested that staff examine the feasibility of installing a signal at SW 63rd Street and Creston Avenue or providing an alternate outlet for the residents of the Creston Avenue cul-de-sac.

In May 2015, the Iowa Department of Transportation (IDOT) conducted a traffic signal warrant analysis and found that traffic signals are warranted at the intersection of SW 63rd Street and Creston Avenue and would be supportive of the City installing traffic signals at that location.

In a letter dated October 5, 2015, from the City Manager to the Des Moines City Council, it was recommended that the traffic signal at SW 63rd Street and Creston Avenue be proposed in the Capital Improvement Program.

This project will include developing an application for IDOT U-STEP funding to supplement the City funding necessary for construction, and continued conversations with the IDOT regarding long-term ownership and maintenance.

Foth Infrastructure and Environment, LLC, was one of the firms selected in September 2015 to perform 2016-2017 On-Call Traffic Engineering Services for the City. Staff has negotiated a Professional Services Agreement with Foth Infrastructure and Environment, LLC, for a total cost not to exceed \$31,000, based on hourly rates, to provide 63rd Street and Creston Avenue Traffic Signals design services.

PREVIOUS COUNCIL ACTION(S):

<u>Date</u>: April 6, 2015

Roll Call Number: 15-0635

Action: Request from Valerie Cohen to speak regarding a proposed stop light at SW 63rd Street and Creston Avenue, and a potential easement to allow access to Willowmere and/or 61st Street to potentially provide a more immediate alternate outlet for the residents of the Creston cul-de-sac. Sponsor: Council Member Hensley. Moved by Mahaffey to refer to the City Manager for review and recommendation. Motion Carried 6-1.

BOARD/COMMISSION ACTION(S): NONE

ANTICIPATED ACTIONS AND FUTURE COMMITMENTS:

City staff does not anticipate any future Council actions on this Professional Services Agreement at this time; however, unanticipated changes to this Professional Services Agreement will require a Supplemental Agreement which may require Council action. The City Council should anticipate normal Council actions related to the IDOT U-STEP construction funding agreement and related to proceeding with construction of the traffic signals.

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