


COUNCIL COMMUNICATION

	Number:	26-105	Meeting:	March 23, 2026
	Agenda Item:	5	Roll Call:	26-0354
	Submitted by:	Steven L. Naber, P.E., City Engineer		

AGENDA HEADING:

Approving Supplemental Agreement No. 2 to the Professional Services Agreement (PSA) with HR Green, Inc. for additional work on the Southeast 14th Street and Maury Street Intersection Improvements, not to exceed \$372,445.

SYNOPSIS:

Recommend approval of Supplemental Agreement No. 2 to the PSA with HR Green, Inc. (8710 Earhart Lane, Cedar Rapids, Iowa 52404; Jason J. Poppen, President,) for a total cost not to exceed \$372,445, based on hourly rates, to provide additional professional design and survey services for the Southeast 14th Street and Maury Street Intersection Improvements project.

FISCAL IMPACT:

Amount: \$372,445

Funding Source: 2025-26 CIP, Page 151, Southeast 14th Street Corridor Improvements, ST309

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION:

- Southeast 14th Street (US 69) is an Iowa Department of Transportation (IDOT) facility. Between 2019 and 2021, IDOT performed a traffic study to evaluate existing and future multimodal operations, safety, and reliability along Southeast 14th Street from County Line Road in Des Moines to I-80 in Polk County. The study included a review of traffic volumes, operations, crash analyses, environmental impacts, connectivity, access, and mobility.
- The study provided three (3) schematic alternatives to address traffic operations and safety at Southeast 14th Street and Maury Street. The alternatives also addressed connectivity issues between East Martin Luther King (MLK) Parkway and Southeast 14th Street.
- A preferred concept was developed as part of the traffic study which includes improvements along Southeast 14th Street from the Des Moines River Bridge north to the viaduct over MLK Parkway and reconfiguration of the Maury Street intersection to offset 'T' intersections to enhance safety and improve connectivity between East MLK Parkway and Southeast 14th Street.

- To move forward with the design of the preferred concept, the City posted a Request for Proposals (RFP) for these services on the City's website. Eight (8) proposals were received in response to the RFP. The selection committee was comprised of representatives from the Engineering Department. HR Green, Inc. was selected based on their qualifications and experience with similar projects.
- On January 9, 2023 by Roll Call No. 23-0012, the City Council approved a PSA with HR Green, Inc. for a total cost not to exceed \$455,005, based on hourly rates, to provide design phase services for the Southeast 14th Street and Maury Street Intersection Improvements project.
- On January 31, 2024, the City and HR Green, Inc. entered into Supplemental Agreement No. 1 for a total amount not to exceed \$30,000, based on hourly rates and reimbursable costs, for the following additional design phase services:
 - Additional topographic, utility, and right-of-way surveys along Southeast 12th Street from East Railroad Avenue north to Shaw Street for design of a new shared use path along Southeast 12th Street.
 - Cleaning of debris and other obstructions in existing sanitary and storm sewer pipes which prevented televising and inspecting the condition of the pipes.
- On April 1, 2024, the City Council authorized the execution of an Agreement with the IDOT for improvements along Southeast 14th Street (US 69) to identify funding responsibilities and stipulate which party shall lead specific project tasks. The Agreement specifies the following:
 - The City shall lead the design task.
 - The IDOT shall lead the right-of-way layout and acquisition, utility coordination, project letting, and construction administration tasks.
 - Right of way and acquisition costs shall be split evenly between the City and IDOT.
 - Construction costs shall be split evenly between the City and IDOT.
- Staff has negotiated Supplemental Agreement No. 2 to the Professional Services Agreement with HR Green, Inc. for a total additional amount not to exceed \$372,455 based on hourly rates and reimbursable costs, for additional design phase services including:
 - The design schedule is extended by approximately one (1) year to accommodate an October 2026 IDOT letting rather than a November 2025 City letting which was planned in the original agreement. The design schedule was extended to allow IDOT to oversee right-of-way acquisition, utility coordination, and let the project under a typical IDOT project development schedule.
 - The extended design schedule and additional project review requirements have resulted in 23 additional meetings between the City, HR Green, and IDOT, including an additional public information meeting.
 - The project limits have been expanded from the original concept which impacts 17 additional properties which were not included in the original project area, requiring additional coordination with IDOT, affected property owners, and utilities.

- Design additions and revisions include the following:
 - Design of a new shared use path along the west side of Southeast 12th Street between East Railroad Avenue and Shaw Street.
 - Additional widening of Southeast 14th Street for the section between the Des Moines River bridge and East Railroad Avenue to accommodate a southbound left turn lane.
 - Additional topographical survey and data collection to incorporate the expanded project limits.
 - Design of a backlot access drive from Southeast 14th Court to the property located at 801 Southeast 14th Street.
 - Additional driveway design for new and relocated driveways.
- Hydraulic analysis and design to replace existing storm sewer pipes that are outside the original project limits and within the new project limits which are obstructed or undersized.
- Design of required electrical facilities for two (2) locations impacted by the project.
- The project is scheduled for an IDOT letting in October 2026 with construction starting in spring 2027.

PREVIOUS COUNCIL ACTION(S):

Date: January 9, 2023

Roll Call Number: [23-0012](#)

Action: [Approving](#) PSA with HR Green, Inc. to provide professional services for the Southeast 14th Street and Maury Street Intersection Improvements project, not to exceed \$455,035 ([Council Communication No. 23-007](#)). Moved by Boesen to adopt. Second by Gatto. Motion Carried 7-0.

Date: April 1, 2024

Roll Call Number: [24-0477](#)

Action: [Approving](#) and authorizing the execution of IDOT Agreement for improvements along Southeast 14th Street (US 69) from the Des Moines River Bridge north to the viaduct over MLK Parkway, including reconfiguration of the Maury Street intersection to offset 'T' intersections. ([Council Communication No. 24-141](#)) Moved by Coleman to adopt. Second by Gatto. Motion Carried 7-0.

BOARD/COMMISSION ACTION(S): NONE

ANTICIPATED ACTIONS AND FUTURE COMMITMENTS:

- City staff does not anticipate any future Council actions on this PSA at this time, however unanticipated changes to this PSA would require an additional Supplemental Agreement, which may require Council action.

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