

City Council Regular Meeting - Includes
Action Taken

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Meeting Date: 07/06/2021

Recommended Steve Hardesty, Community Services Director
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Director

Review:

City Attorney Brett Wallace

Review:

Approved by: Larry Rains

Date 02/01/2021

Submitted:

Type of Ordinance

Action

Requested:

SUBJECT:

Consider approving a job order contract with Okanogan Trail Construction for the Community Trail Project.

RECOMMENDATION:

Staff recommends the Mayor and City Council authorize a job order contract with Okanogan Trail Construction in an amount not to exceed \$350,584.00 for construction of phase one of the Casa Grande Community Trail. In addition, staff recommends authorizing an additional \$48,000 to provide contingency in this project for bonding costs and potential unforeseen issues during the construction phase. The total requested authority for this project is \$398,584.00.

DISCUSSION:

The Community Trail project was approved in the CIP Budget for FY21. The location of the proposed trail is a one-mile section that runs along the North Branch of the Santa Cruz Wash between Trekell Road and Peart Road. The trail head is proposed to be located in Rotary Park at 2220 N. Trekell.

Staff has been working on the Community Trail project over the last year. The project had several delays as the proposed trail will exist in a floodway. Staff selected the engineering

firm J2 Design to assist with technical aspects of the Special Flood Hazard permit. In addition, staff worked with the company, Energy Transfer, as a high-pressure gas delivery line also runs along the north side of the wash.

In December 2020 an RFQ process, in compliance with Title 34 of the Arizona Revised Statutes, was conducted to select a firm for a job order contract for trail construction. Selection of the recommended construction company was performed per the requirements of ARS 34-603, which provides clear direction for the makeup of the selection panel and the selection process. Pursuant to that statute, the panel shall include at least 5 members, including at least one person who is a senior management employee of a licensed contractor and one person who is a registered architect or an engineer. Based upon the selection and scoring criteria contained within the RFQ, the selection panel selected Okanogan Trail Construction (OTC) as the best firm for this project. OTC is an award-winning company that specializes in trail planning, design, construction, and consulting with over 38 years of experience throughout the world. Their goal is to “create destinations that can be explored and shared for generations while preserving Earth's natural habitats and wonders.”

The proposed trail will be an 8-foot wide, stabilized DG path bordered on both sides by 1 foot of rip rap rock. This additional rock will help preserve the trail in the native soil. The trail will meander along the southern side of the wash and include signage with entrances off both Trekell Road and Peart Road. The trail will not have any major landscape or lighting components at this time. The trail will be very similar in look and feel to the walking path at Carr McNatt Park and the trail leading west of the Recreation Center. It is designed for multi-use purposes such as walking, hiking, and biking.

The Casa Grande Community Trail will eventually link up the Mission Valley development on the east side of town and travel west to Dave White and/or Ed Hooper Park on the west side of town. This trail is part of the Regional Trail System Master Plan that was originally presented to the City Council in 2008.

A separate project to remodel and improve Rotary Park is planned in conjunction with the construction of the trail. The improvements include new landscaping, a new playground, updated ramada, a new parking lot, and an additional shade structure.

FISCAL IMPACT:

The proposed job order contract with Okanogan Trail Construction is an amount not to exceed \$350,584.00. Staff is requesting an additional contingency of \$48,000 which represents anticipated mandatory bonding costs and an approximately 10% city-controlled

contingency for unforeseen conditions during construction. The total amount of contractual authority requested for this project is \$398,584.00. The approved FY21 CIP Budget authorized \$611,000 for the Community Trail project, so the budget authority does exist.

ALTERNATIVES:

1. Deny the request and cancel the project.
2. Delay the project.

Attachments

Ord. 3283

Okanogan Proposal

JOC Contract

RFQ Packet

Okanogan RFQ Information

Trail Master Plan
