

Engineering Services Committee Meeting

Meeting Date: April 29, 2025

Willis Foreman Rd Improvements Project

Design Services for Road Widening and Reconstruction

PI #0013703 – RFQ #17-265

File Reference: 25-014(A)

Department: Engineering & Environmental Services

Presenter: Dr. Hameed Malik, Director

Caption: Approve Supplement funding (SA5) for Engineering Final Design Phase

(Supplemental Survey) of the Design Consultant Services Agreement to CHA in the amount of \$53,690 for the Willis Foreman Improvement Project. AE/

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Background: This project is listed in the Transportation Improvement Program (TIP). Willis

Foreman Road is a two-way rural collector with a total of two through lanes. The proposed project provides connectivity between two urban major arterials (US 1 and US 25). The purpose of this project is to improve traffic flow and public safety and minimize traffic congestion by increasing the capacity and providing improvements along Willis Foreman Road between SR4/US1 and SR121/US25. Project Improvements concept includes widening to three lanes roadway section and turn lanes as needed, widening the bridge over Spirit Creek (if needed), major intersection improvements and adding curb and gutter, sidewalks and street lights. In March 2018, Augusta Commission awarded Willis Foreman Design Professional Services to Wolverton & Assoc.

(now CHA Companies)..

Analysis: Project is in right of way phase with completion schedule by end of 2025.

Survey and property research was done at preliminary design phase. Since then there has been extensive changes in ownership, parcel subdivisions, and parcel development. Physical changes to properties to include new structures and driveways will require additional field work and a revised survey. Supplemental Services are warranted to have correct updated parcel

information as required for right of way phase certification.

Financial Impact: MPO Y230 funds and Project SPLOST funds. Augusta MPO through GDOT

identified federal and state funding source to complete engineering design phase. It is a reimbursable expense. Augusta entered in agreement (Project Framework Agreement) with GDOT for utilizing federal funding for the project up to amount of \$5,000,000.00 including \$1,000,000 local match

(Project SPLOSTVI) for completing Design)

Alternatives: Do not approve and abandon the project.

Recommendation: Approve Supplement funding (SA5) for Engineering Final Design Phase

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Funds are available in the following accounts:

(53,690) [\$42,952] 340-041110-5212115/TP1809005-5212115 (MPOY230

Federal Funds-80%)

[10,738] 328-041110-52.12115 / 219828820-52.12115 (SPLOST 6

- 20% local match)

REVIEWED AND APPROVED BY:

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