

CITY COUNCIL AGENDA REPORT

Meeting Date: April 3, 2025

From: Noreen Leek, Parks & Recreation Director

Subject: Crocker Trail CEQA Study Award of Contract to RRM

Design Group

Community Goal/Result

Ecological Sustainability, Safe Community, Community Building

Purpose

Develop the City's trail system while protecting environmentally sensitive areas, enhancing connectivity, incorporating art, and providing additional opportunities for recreation.

Recommendation

Award a contract in the amount of \$175,800 to RRM Design Group to provide preliminary design and environmental compliance services for the improvement of the Crocker Trail.

Background

In 2021, the City Council adopted the Crocker Trail master plan. The purpose of the master plan was to bring to life the wants and needs of the community of Brisbane. Through implementing accessibility, safety and connectivity, ecological responsibility and education, recreational opportunities and the chance to support local artists, the Crocker Trail aims to improve the quality of life for all its visitors. The master plan addresses current planning issues and needs for restoration and safety along the trail and presents feasible solutions for its design and long-term operation and maintenance. The plan integrates both active and contemplative experiences for all Crocker Trail users, including the Industrial Park employees and local Brisbane residents.

Discussion

As the next step towards implementation of the Crocker Trail master plan, a California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) study must be conducted to evaluate and mitigate any potential environmental impacts. The study will ensure that environmental impacts are compliant and carefully considered, mitigated where possible, and that the public and decision-makers have the information they need to make informed choices about the project. RRM has detailed the necessary scope of services and compensation required to move the project forward which has been included as Attachment 1. It is anticipated that the process will take approximately 9 months to complete.

Fiscal Impact

The total cost of the required basic services for this project is \$175,800. The City Council authorized an allocation from the State and Local Fiscal Recovery Funds program (SLFR).

Once staff spoke with the consultant, there was a need to increase the budget for the project by \$25,800, requiring additional funds. Staff determined that the remaining funds from the remaining from the sale of the 280 South Hill Property had been allocated for improvement to the Crocker Trail. This

project will therefore utilize those funds to cover its complete costs resulting in no impact to the general fund at this time.

Funds previously allocated to this project have reverted back to the General Fund as revenue replacement, which will reduce the FY 2024-25 budget deficit by the corresponding amount.

Attachments

1. RRM Scope of Services & Compensation Summary

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