

Staff Report

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North Shore T-3 Trail Improvement Professional Service Agreement Presenter: Trang Lam, Parks & Recreation Director and Steve Wall, Public Works Director

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BACKGROUND: In 2018 the City established a segment of the T-3 trail alignment (also known as the East Lake Trail) along the north shore of Lacamas Lake as shown on the image below (Figure 2). Preliminary design and permitting efforts for the project were initiated with the expectation of following-up with final design and construction of a new trail in 2019. This project was allocated in the approved FY 2019-2020 Capital Program Budget.

Unfortunately, due to the COVID-19 pandemic the project has been placed on hold until now. Capital budget allocation was moved to FY 2021-2022. The current FY 2021-2022 Capital Program Budget allocates \$175,000 to this project for pre-construction (Figure 1).

Staff is now ready to resume the project. The attached Professional Services Agreement amendment (PSA) with HHPR will allow staff to resume work on the project and advance the project through 30% design, final permitting, and estimation of the cost to construct the final project. Completion of the 100% plans and specifications will be done with a future PSA once construction funding is confirmed.



Figure 1 – Image from City of Camas Open Budget on-line webpage



Figure 2 – Proposed T-3 (aka. East Lake Trail) trail alignment

SUMMARY: As noted, preliminary design had been completed in 2017 and 2018, which included natural resource fieldwork and evaluation, stormwater analysis, land surveying, preliminary trail design and alignment, and permitting (including Joint Aquatic Resources, Clean Water Act, Endangered Species Act, and SEPA). Due to the pandemic, the project was then placed on hold until now.

This PSA includes all services necessary to advance the project to 30% inclusive of environment permitting and a comprehensive cost estimate. Since the project has been on hold for so long, this design and engineering phase will re-establish expired permits and request extensions for permits that are nearing expiration. Final engineering, design, and bidding services will be addressed in a future amendment.

Staff is seeking Council approval of this PSA in the amount of \$112,420.00 to be dispersed over an 18-month period to HHPR as work is completed. Proposed services and the associated costs are summarized below:

PSA Amendment Subtotal	\$112,420.00
Previously Contracted Fee	\$60,441.80
TOTAL AMENDED PSA FEES	\$172,861.80

30% Design is expected to be completed by December 2022. Assuming, this capital project is allocated and approved by Council for the FY 2023-2024 capital budget, the Shorelines and other environmental permits along with 100% Bid-Ready plans and specifications will be completed in 2023 with construction to occur in 2024.

EQUITY CONSIDERATIONS:

What are the desired results and outcomes for this agenda item?

Approval of HHPR PSA.

What's the data? What does the data tell us?

The 2017 North Shore Lacamas Lake Vision Plan established a goal of constructing a trail around Lacamas Lake. This segment of the T-3 trail would bring us closer to accomplishing that goal by constructing a segment of the trail system on the north shore of Lacamas Lake. This trail would serve our entire community.

How have communities been engaged? Are there opportunities to expand engagement?

Formal community involvement will occur as the design process commences.

Who will benefit from, or be burdened by this agenda item?

All City of Camas residents will benefit from design and construction of the new T-3 Trail on the north side of Lacamas Lake.

What are the strategies to mitigate any unintended consequences?

A careful design process which includes public engagement help mitigate any unintended consequences.

Does this agenda item have a differential impact on underserved populations, people living with disabilities, and/or communities of color? Please provide available data to illustrate this impact.

No

Will this agenda item improve ADA accessibilities for people with disabilities?

No

What potential hurdles exists in implementing this proposal (include both operational and political)?

The City-owned property that the trail will be constructed on abuts ten private property owners. There currently exist year-to-year license agreements between the City and several private property owners to allow for encroachment onto City-owned property. Encroachments onto City-owned property have included docks, fences, sheds/greenhouse, recreational equipment, landscaping, and other private properties. With development of this public recreational trail area, the license agreements will need to be terminated which would require the removal of any existing encroachment items/properties.

Through the design process, Staff will work with the abutting private properties to provide design options that help buffer their private property from the expected heavy public trail use and that would provide enhancements to the abutting property line. Staff acknowledges that there may be commercial uses that are more compatible with public recreational trail use, and where beneficial to both parties, create design options that creates more integration between the public recreational trail area and commercial use. In those circumstances, the City may choose to negotiate a new lease/license agreement, with all new agreements approved by Council.

How will you ensure accountabilities, communicate, and evaluate results?

There will be robust outreach efforts with adjacent property owners and effort to engage and include them in the design process.

How does this item support a comprehensive plan goal, policy or other adopted resolution?

Design and construction of the North Shore T-3 Trail is consistent with:

Camas 2035 Comprehensive Plan -

 Natural Environment Goal - LU-4: Develop an interconnected network of parks, trails and open space to support wildlife corridors and natural resources and enhance the quality of life for Camas residents and visitors.

2014 Parks, Recreation, and Open Space Comprehensive Plan –

• PROS Goal 1 - Objective 1D: Provide a comprehensive network of trails that is environmentally responsive and compatible with adjoining property.

2017 North Shore Lacamas Lake: A Vision for Conservation and Recreation –

 Guiding Principle 1: Accommodate Recreational Trails and Promote Bicycle and Pedestrian Connectivity. Complete the seven-mile loop trail around Lacamas Lake and provide connections to existing trail networks, nearby schools, neighborhoods, and places of employment.

BUDGET IMPACT: This project is funded in the FY 2021 – 2022 Parks Capital Budget. The project cost of \$112,420 will be funded by Park Impact Fees.

RECOMMENDATION: Staff is proposing to place this PSA Amendment on the February 22, 2022 Consent Agenda for Council's consideration and approval.