

Staff Report

November 1, 2021 Council Workshop Meeting

Lake Management Plan Update and Phase 2B Scope of Work

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Time Estimate: 30 minutes

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BACKGROUND: The City Council adopted Resolution 20-016 in November 2020 in support of developing strategies to improve water quality within Lacamas, Round and Fallen Leaf Lakes ("lakes"). The City entered into a professional services agreement with Geosyntec Consultants, Inc. in June 2021 to provide support to the City in completing a Lake Management Plan (LMP) for the lakes which will identify short- and long-term strategies to improve water quality. Staff and Geosyntec completed the Phase 1 work in September 2021 which, among other things, included a Workplan to be followed and completed in future phases in order to successfully develop a full LMP.

SUMMARY: Staff has worked with Geosyntec to develop the attached "Phase 2B – Part 2" Scope of Work as part of the overall effort to develop the LMP. This specific scope of work will include support for additional public outreach, implementing short-term wins identified in Phase 1, assistance with funding applications, and overall project management support.

The Scope of Work includes a brief written description of all tasks that we envision will be necessary to complete the LMP. Those tasks that require additional data or information have been identified as being part of a subsequent scope and budget request. As shown in the presentation, we anticipate the LMP will be fully complete in 2023.

Staff will review the attached presentation with Council and provide an opportunity for questions and discussion on both the Phase 2B – Part 2 scope of work, and the overall effort to develop the LMP.

EQUITY CONSIDERATIONS:

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

Provide an update on the first phase of work associated with development of a LMP. Additionally, introduce the Scope of Work for subsequent phases of the LMP development and completion.

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

No new data has been collected to date. Additional scientific data and public engagement will be completed with future phases.

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

Public outreach was completed in Phase 1 and will continue throughout Phase 2 and through completion of the LMP.

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

The citizens, visitors, and businesses will all benefit from management of the lakes within the City limits.

What are the strategies to mitigate any unintended consequences?

An extensive public outreach and education campaign is included as part of the work, including multiple public meetings, Parks Commission and City Council meetings.

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.

N/A

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

N/A

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

Cost and support by the majority of the community for development and implementation of management strategies for the lakes could be a hurdle for this proposal, but one that can be overcome through an extensive, transparent process and support from the State and various funding agencies.

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

The final Lake Management Plan will include strategies that will be measurable but will need to be adaptive over time. Public education and outreach will continue to be vital even after the Plan is completed so that management strategies continue to meet the expectations of the community.

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

Multiple policies identified in the City's Comprehensive Plan and in the Parks, Recreation and Open Space Plan (PROS) are supported with this work effort.

BUDGET IMPACT: The estimated cost to complete the work identified in the attached Scope of Work (Phase 2B, Part 2) is \$127,500. As identified in the presentation, funding for the work will come from a combination of an Ecology Freshwater Algae Control Program Grant, a State Budget Proviso, and the City's Stormwater Fund.

RECOMMENDATION: This item is for Council's information only. Staff recommends placing the Consultant Agreement Amendment with Geosyntec Consultants on the November 15, 2021 Consent Agenda.