



CITY COMMISSION STAFF REPORT

DEPARTMENT: Utilities

DATE: March 10, 2026

SUBJECT: Motion to Approve Task Order UTL-26-021D with The Corradino Group, Inc. for Planning, Surveying, Engineering Design, Permitting, Bidding Assistance, and Optional Support Services for the Design and Construction of Hiatus Road Traffic Safety Improvements Project in an Amount Not to Exceed \$272,460.00.
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CITY MANAGER RECOMMENDATION:

The City Manager recommends that the Commission approve Task Order UTL-26-021D with The Corradino Group, Inc. for planning, surveying, engineering design, permitting, bidding assistance, and optional support services for the design and construction of the Hiatus Road Traffic Safety Improvements Project, with a total amount not to exceed \$272,460.00.

BACKGROUND OF ITEM:

On May 9, 2016, Calvin, Giordano and Associates, Inc. conducted a traffic study at the intersection of Hiatus Road and NE Lake Boulevard, which identified concerns related to excessive vehicle speeds and a history of right-angle crashes. Based on the study findings, several traffic-calming options were evaluated, and Cooper City ("City") initially chose the installation of a roundabout as the preferred improvement to enhance safety and traffic flow along the corridor.

In 2025, the Corradino Group prepared 60% of the design drawings for the proposed roundabout improvement, which were shown to the community during public outreach meetings. After developing the initial design concept, residents from nearby neighborhoods raised concerns during public meetings about the size and impacts of the proposed upgrade. The proposed roundabout required a larger construction footprint than expected and would have needed the acquisition or dedication of parts of adjacent residential properties to fit the layout and allow space for maintenance. Because of these concerns and the potential right-of-way impacts on neighboring properties, the City Commission told staff to stop pursuing the roundabout idea and instead look into alternative traffic calming solutions with a smaller footprint.

ANALYSIS:

The City is advancing with a revised corridor-based traffic-calming plan designed to enhance road safety, reduce impacts on neighboring properties, and prevent the need to acquire additional right-of-way.

The revised proposed improvements focus on traffic-calming and operational enhancements along Hiatus Road, from about 500 feet south of Stirling Road to approximately 900 feet north of NE Lake Boulevard. Phase 1 planning includes: creating a conceptual corridor alternative, developing a preliminary FDOT engineer's cost estimate, establishing a project schedule with an estimated completion date, and coordinating with the Florida Department of Transportation (FDOT) and the Broward County Traffic Engineering Division (BCTED) to support amending the existing FDOT-administered Grant Agreement. This phase will be completed within a cap of \$18,870. Completing Phase 1 will help the city determine if sufficient funding from FDOT and Broward County is available to move forward. If the required funding from the State and County cannot be secured, the city will not proceed beyond Phase 1.

If funding support is confirmed, Phase 2 Design and Permitting will include essential services such as project management and agency coordination, a supplemental topographic survey, roadway design and permitting, FDOT coordination meetings, and bidding assistance needed to move the project toward construction. The total cost for these Phase 2 services is \$172,905. Optional services, which the City may approve if necessary for final design and construction support, include additional coordination meetings, subsurface utility engineering, tree inventory and disposition plans, landscape and irrigation design, electrical design for irrigation systems, water connection plans, and post-design construction support. The total cost for optional services is \$80,685, bringing the overall project total to \$272,460 if all services are authorized.

PROCUREMENT:

RFQ2024-1-PW was issued on November 1, 2024, and closed on January 21, 2025. Submittals were opened on January 24, 2025. The services include various disciplines, such as but not limited to the following categories: architecture, geotechnical, mechanical, electrical, plumbing (MEP), transportation (transit), civil engineering, landscape architecture, water, wastewater, stormwater, and others.

The Corradino Group, Inc. was one of the consultants selected under the Transportation category of RFQ2024-1-PW based on the firm's qualifications. RFQ224-1-PW was approved at the April 22, 2025, Commission meeting for a five-year term, with one five-year renewal option. Pursuant to section 287.055(2)(g) F.S., a consultant selected through the CCNA process can be awarded a "continuing contract" for professional services where each study's amount does not exceed \$500,000 without additional competition.

FISCAL IMPACT:

The city submitted a Fiscal Year 2024 State Appropriation Request for the design and construction of the Hiatus Road Traffic Safety Improvements Project, and in 2024, was awarded \$370,000 to support the improvements. The City and the Florida Department of Transportation (FDOT) signed a State-Funded Grant Agreement for this project, with total costs estimated at \$520,000; the State provided \$370,000, and the city contributed a local match of \$150,000 (Resolution 24-07). However, construction costs have significantly exceeded initial estimates. As a result, the city applied for funding under the Surtax Grant Match Program (GMP) to help finance this project (Resolution 25-53). The GMP was established under Section 4.5 of the 2025 Amended and Restated Transportation System Surtax Interlocal Agreement (Third Amendment), which allows

participating municipalities to seek Transportation Surtax funding to meet local match requirements for competitive state and federal programs, grants, and appropriations. In September 2025, the city was notified of a GMP award of \$1,043,101, with the city's local match for the GMP being \$260,776.

<u>General Ledger Acct. Number</u>	<u>Budgeted Amount</u>	<u>Requested Amount</u>	<u>Remaining Amount</u>
300-317-563330-539-24017 Hiatus Safety Improvements	\$2,007,820.55	\$272,460	\$1,735,360.55

ATTACHMENTS:

1. The Design and Construction of Hiatus Road Traffic Safety Improvements Project – Professional Engineering Services Proposal
2. The Design and Construction of Hiatus Road Traffic Safety Improvements Project – Professional Engineering Services Schedule