

SUBMITTED BY: Luis Pedroza, Deputy City Manager

MANAGEMENT TEAM REVIEW: Ana Urquijo, City Manager

FOCUS AREA: Other / NA

**ORGANIZATIONAL
IMPROVEMENTS:**

SUBJECT: **RESOLUTION NO. 25-1656**, a Resolution of the Mayor and Council of the City of Douglas, Cochise County, Arizona, **AUTHORIZING** the execution of **SCOPE OF WORK** as a **CHANGE ORDER** to **STANTEC CONSULTING SERVICES, INC** for 100% detailed engineering water, wastewater and broadband design, ADEQ and ADOT permitting, bid and contractor selection support, and construction management SR 80 between Cochise College and North Copper Avenue adding scope of work consisting of **SANITARY SEWER DESIGN, AGENCY PERMITTING, BID and CONTRACTOR SELECTION SUPPORT** for **WEST DOUGLAS UTILITIES EXPANSION – SOUTH of PUZZI RANCH ROAD and KINGS HIGHWAY** for the new commercial port of entry sewer connection located in Cochise County, Arizona.

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY:

The city continues the design of water and sewer for the West Expansion project to provide services to the new commercial port of entry. As part of the sewer connection from the city limits to the commercial POE, Stantec Engineers have identified the gravity sewer alignment from SR-80 south on Kings Highway, west on South of Puzzi Ranch Road and finally connecting to James Ranch Road.

BACKGROUND:

In August 2024, the Mayor and Council approved Phase I of the West Expansion known as the SR-80 water, sewer and broadband conduit design project. The project designs water, sewer, and broadband conduit from Copper Avenue to Cochise College. Stantec has already completed 90% design and has submitted plans to ADEQ and ADOT for their approval. As time is of the essence to deliver the utilities in time for the new commercial port of entry to be operational, the change order to the original contract is recommended instead of doing a new contract with Stantec. The change order to this contract would add the design of the sewer alignment described in order to also include the construction of this project with the entire SR-80 Phase I project. This would allow construction contractors to bid on this sewer alignment section if the design is read; and at the same time we are ready to bid the SR-80 portion of the project.

The sewer alignment requires acquisition of right of way along some of Kings Highway and all of the east/west alignment located south of Puzzi Ranch Road. Because we are using federal funds for the infrastructure the city must follow the federal right of way acquisition process. The process includes obtaining environmental clearance first and before any contact with landowners is made. The city is currently seeking a proposal for a company to acquire the right of way. Before this design begins, we must complete the environmental process (underway with assistance from the NADBank funding), but the design can be in conjunction with the right of way acquisition.

The city is collaborating with the County on this right of way acquisition since the acquisition will belong to County since it's in their jurisdiction. It includes a 120 foot right of way acquisition that would include a utility corridor as well as a future roadway. The city is also working with ADOT to ensure that there is a driveway planned on the James Ranch Road with this alignment.

DISCUSSION:

Staff recommends the approval of the change order to the SR-80 design contract to include the Kings Highway and south Puzzi Ranch Road sewer alignment to the new commercial POE.

FISCAL IMPACT:

\$326,026.79 funded from State ARPA funds.

Fiscal Year: 2024/2025

Amount Requested:

Budgeted: Y / N

Account (s):

“...I MOVE THAT THE MAYOR AND COUNCIL APPROVE RESOLUTION NO. 25-1656.”