

Folsom City Council Staff Report

MEETING DATE:	5/9/2023
AGENDA SECTION:	Consent Calendar
SUBJECT:	Resolution No. 11034 – A Resolution Authorizing the City Manager to Execute a Design and Consulting Services Contract with R.E.Y. Engineers, Inc. for the East Bidwell Corridor Drainage Analysis Project
FROM:	Public Works Department

RECOMMENDATION / CITY COUNCIL ACTION

The Public Works Department recommends that the City Council pass and adopt Resolution No. 11034 – A Resolution Authorizing the City Manager to Execute a Design and Consulting Services Contract with R.E.Y. Engineers, Inc. for the East Bidwell Corridor Drainage Analysis Project.

BACKGROUND / ISSUE

In the 2019-20 Budget Act, Governor Gavin Newsom allocated \$250 million for all regions, cities, and counties to do their part by prioritizing planning activities that accelerate housing production to meet identified needs of every community. With this allocation, the state Department of Housing and Community Development (HCD) established the Regional Early Action Planning Grant Program (REAP) with \$125 million distributed to regions. REAP provides one-time grant funding to regional governments and regional entities for planning activities that will accelerate housing production and facilitate compliance in implementing the sixth cycle of the Regional Housing Needs Allocation (RHNA).

The Sacramento Area Council of Governments (SACOG) received \$6,612,880 in REAP funds to address the greater Sacramento region's unique housing priorities and planning needs. The SACOG board recommended approval of a framework for spending an initial 25 percent of the REAP funds using an early access option provided by the state. These early funds provided a formula allocation directly to local agencies for housing element updates or other planning

projects related to housing. The City's allocation from this initial portion of REAP funds was \$41,000 and was explicitly for use on our Housing Element update.

There were three additional REAP grant opportunities; two were non-competitive direct allocations for qualifying projects and the third was a competitive grant. Eligible activities were required to demonstrate housing-related planning activities and facilitate accelerated housing production. Zoning code updates and specific plans that include an Environmental Impact Report (EIR), as well as an evaluation of infrastructure needs and cost analyses, are strongly encouraged because these planning activities are identified as priorities in SACOG's Green Means Go Program. The planning activity must support the entire Green Zone or many parcels within the Green Zone.

Based on the City's Housing Element update and the comprehensive zoning code update, staff identified three distinct and qualifying grant projects to further the City's housing program goals and the city was successful in receiving all three grants. The grant project descriptions and grant award amounts are listed below.

- Grant #1, East Bidwell Drainage Study, \$100,000
- Grant #2, Multi-Family and Residential Mixed-Use Design, Density and Market Feasibility Analysis, \$90,000
- Grant #3, Housing Element Program H-2 Implementation: General Plan and Specific Plan Amendment and Environmental Analyses, \$575,000

The total amount of the grant funds awarded was \$765,000.

Professional service contracts for Grant #2 and #3 were approved by City Council on October 26, 2021. At this time, Public Works staff is requesting that City Council authorize a design and consulting services contract with R.E.Y. Engineer, Inc. for the East Bidwell Corridor Drainage Analysis Project (Grant #1).

POLICY / RULE

Section 2.36.080, Award of Contracts of the Folsom Municipal Code states, in part, that contracts for supplies, equipment, services, and construction with an estimated value of \$70,952 or greater shall be awarded by City Council.

ANALYSIS

The Public Works Department publicly advertised a Request for Qualifications for engineering design services on December 4, 2020. Thirteen proposals were received, and four firms were chosen for the list of qualified consultants, including R.E.Y. Engineers, Inc.

R.E.Y. Engineers, Inc. is a civil engineering design firm that has completed several drainage projects within the City of Folsom, including recent work on the Natoma Street Drainage Projects Phase 1 and 2 which is adjacent to the proposed study area for this East Bidwell

Corridor Drainage Analysis. Staff has determined that R.E.Y. Engineers, Inc. is the most qualified from the current short-listed firms for this project and has solicited a scope and fee from them. The proposed consultant agreement is for a not-to-exceed amount of \$100,000.

The goal is to provide the city with a better understanding of the existing drainage system layout, configuration, and condition along the East Bidwell Corridor. The analysis will identify any deficiencies as well as recommended drainage system improvements or upgrades which may be utilized as groundwork for future projects in the area.

FINANCIAL IMPACT

The REAP Grants Program award for this grant is \$100,000. None of the REAP grant awards require a financial match. All grant funds are required to be fully expended and reimbursed by July 31, 2024. Consultant services will be funded initially through the Drainage Capital Improvement Fund (Fund 448) and reimbursed to that same fund by the REAP Grants Program funds in accordance with the reimbursement schedule.

ENVIRONMENTAL REVIEW

Design services are exempt from environmental review. Any potential future projects identified as a result of this analysis would undergo appropriate California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) environmental review as necessary to clear the project for construction.

ATTACHMENT

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Submitted,

Mark Rackovan, PUBLIC WORKS DIRECTOR

RESOLUTION NO. 11034

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE CITY MANAGER TO EXECUTE A DESIGN AND CONSULTING SERVICES CONTRACT WITH R.E.Y. ENGINEERS, INC. FOR THE EAST BIDWELL CORRIDOR DRAINAGE ANALYSIS PROJECT

WHEREAS, the City of Folsom desires to hire a consultant that can provide a drainage analysis of the existing storm drain infrastructure along the East Bidwell Corridor between Coloma Street and Blue Ravine Avenue; and

WHEREAS, the city received a Sacramento Area Council of Governments (SACOG) non-competitive Regional Early Action Planning Grant Program (REAP) grant in the amount of \$100,000 to conduct a drainage analysis of the East Bidwell Corridor; and

WHEREAS, city staff has selected R.E.Y. Engineers, Inc. from the Public Works Department's list of qualified consultants to provide the required drainage analysis and engineering design services; and

WHEREAS, consultant services will be funded initially through the Drainage Capital Improvement Fund (Fund 448) and reimbursed by the REAP Grant Program funds; and

WHEREAS, R.E.Y. Engineers, Inc. assisted with the preparation of the Sacramento Area Council of Governments Maintenance & Modernization grant application for the East Bidwell Pavement Resurfacing Project. Staff requested assistance on this application from R.E.Y. Engineers, Inc. due to the proximity of the projects to each other and the overlapping data required for each application.; and

WHEREAS, funds in the amount of \$100,000 are budgeted and available in the Drainage Capital Improvement Fund (Fund 448) for Fiscal Year 2022-23; and

WHEREAS, the agreement will be in a form acceptable to the City Attorney:

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the City Council of the City of Folsom authorizes the City Manager to Execute a Design and Consulting Services Agreement with R.E.Y. Engineers, Inc. for the East Bidwell Corridor Drainage Analysis Project for an amount not-to-exceed \$100,000.

PASSED AND ADOPTED this 9th day of May 2023, by the following roll-call vote:

AYES: Councilmember(s):

NOES: Councilmember(s):

ABSENT: Councilmember(s):

ABSTAIN: Councilmember(s):

	Rosario Rodriguez, MAYOR
ATTEST:	
Christa Freemantle, CITY CLERK	

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