



City of Grass Valley City Council Agenda Action Sheet

Title: Wolf Creek Community and Connectivity Project - Authorization to Award Contract

CEQA: N/A - Consultant selection is a procedural action. CEQA review will be completed as part of the project work

Recommendation: That Council 1) authorize the City Engineer to execute a contract with GHD pending legal review, for Civil Engineering Design, Project Management and Environmental Services, in the amount of \$2,088,126.60 for the Wolf Creek Community and Connectivity Project

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Council Meeting Date: 03/24/2026

Date Prepared: 03/19/2026

Agenda: Consent

Background Information: On December 17, 2025, Staff issued a Request for Proposals (RFP) for engineering services for the Wolf Creek Community and Connectivity Project. The project requires a full-service consultant to assist the City in project management; final alignment selection; environmental services; traffic modeling; surveying; geotechnical and structural services; hydrology and hydraulic services; preliminary and final engineering; public outreach; right of way clearance and the preparation of final project plans, specifications and estimate.

Two consultant firms submitted proposals, DCCM and GHD, and City Staff reviewed, evaluated the proposals and deemed both to be responsible and well qualified. Based on the selection criteria identified in the RFP all reviewers ranked the GHD proposal as the highest scoring and selected the GHD assembled team as the preferred consultant. Following contract negotiations, a total not to exceed cost of \$2,088,126.60 was agreed upon with GHD. The budgeted grant amount established for these phases of work totals \$2,100,000.

Staff recommends that Council authorize the City Engineer to execute a contract with GHD, for engineering, project management and environmental services for the Wolf Creek Community and Connectivity Project. The City's standard Professional Services Agreement template will be utilized for the contract, subject to minor revisions requested by GHD and as approved by legal counsel.

Council Goals/Objectives: A contract for Engineering Services executes portions of work tasks towards achieving/maintaining Strategic Plan Goal - High Performance Government and Quality Service

Fiscal Impact: Preliminary phases of the Wolf Creek Community and Connectivity Project were scheduled to be funded with \$1,895,000 in Active Transportation Program (ATP) Grant funds and \$205,000 of Local Funds. However, due to the makeup of GHD's costs estimate for each phase, additional local funds, already allocated to the project, but scheduled for the construction phase may need to be pulled forward to fully fund the Project Approval and Environmental Document (PA&ED) work. Equivalent ATP grant funds saved in the Plans, Specifications and Estimate (PS&E) phase would subsequently be moved to a future year to make the Construction (CON) phase whole. Details of this transfer are still being worked out with the California Transportation Commission and will be reflected in budget requests for Fiscal Year 26/27, but no additional Local Funds, beyond prior commitments, are necessary at this time.

Funds Available: Yes

Account #: 300-406-63330

Reviewed by: City Manager

Attachments: Professional Services Agreement including Scope of Services and Fee Schedules,