
CITY OF PORT LAVACA

COUNCIL MEETING: AUGUST 12, 2024

DATE: 08.06.2024

TO: HONORABLE MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL MEMBERS

FROM: JODY WEAVER, INTERIM CITY MANAGER

SUBJECT: CONSIDER APPROVAL OF PROFESSIONAL ENGINEERING SERVICES AGREEMENT WITH CIVILCORP, LLC FOR SMITH ROAD SIDEWALK AND BIKE LANE PROJECT

BACKGROUND

Included in the 2023-24 Fiscal Year Capital Improvement Plan was to construct a sidewalk and bike lanes on Smith Road for a budgeted cost of \$275,000.

Staff waiting to initiate this project until after verifying that these funds would not be needed to supplement the Independence Drive project should the bids have come in much higher. This was not the case, so we are prepared to move ahead with this project.

Attached please find a conceptual site plan of the project scope and a proposed Professional Services Agreement from CivilCorp to prepare design, bid documents and contract phase inspections. Page 8 of the contract provides a breakdown of the proposed \$50,600 fee.

The conceptual site plan shows a 5 ft wide sidewalk on the north side of Smith Road from El Camino Real to across from Bay Vista and then to restripe all of Smith Road to provide bike lanes on both sides from SH 35 to Bay Vista.

- Because of the limited width available and utilities, the sidewalk will most likely be right behind the curb.
- We will be eliminating the turn lane into El Camino Real as you travel from the north – this is not essential and is not utilized much – i.e. this turn isn't any more prevalent coming from the north than turning into any of the other streets.
- We can't eliminate the turn lane at SH 35, so we probably will need to provide some widening to accommodate a bike lane on the south side at SH 35.

CivilCorp's preliminary cost estimate is \$200,000 for the sidewalk, striping and mobilization. At this point we are not sure what all may be involved with adding the bike lane where Smith Road meets SH 35, but such work could be added as an Alternate bid item.

RECOMMENDATIONS

Approve the Professional Service Contract with CivilCorp in the amount of \$50,600 for the Smith Road sidewalk and bike lane project.

Attachments: Conceptual site plan and CivilCorp, LLC PSA