STAFF REPORT



SUBJECT: Long Street Reconstruction Project – Professional Services Proposal

MEETING: Council Meeting - 07 Sep 2021

DEPARTMENT: Public Works **STAFF CONTACT:** Nick Williams

RECOMMENDATION:

Staff recommends entering into a professional services agreement with Freese and Nichols Engineering, Inc. (FNI) for the final design for the reconstruction of Long Street from Graham Avenue to Alexander Road.

BACKGROUND:

Long Street is and has been in disrepair for a number of years. The original Thurber brick paving was overlaid with asphalt which has raveled under the moving of the bricks. Additionally, multiple water and sewer repairs have been performed leaving asphalt patches in the brick pavement resulting in an uneven traveling surface and poor ride quality.

PROPOSAL:

The proposed scope of work in the professional services agreement provides for the final design of improvements on Long Street from Graham Avenue to Alexander Road including roadway and sidewalk improvements, as well as drainage improvements, and the replacement of existing cast iron water lines and clay sewer lines. The agreement provides for the design work to be completed within a nine (9) month timeframe and provides a liquidated damages clause should the design not be completed on schedule.

FISCAL IMPACT SUMMARY:

The agreement proposes to prepare contract documents including construction drawings, specifications, with surveying, geotechnical work and design layout for a not-to-exceed sum of \$594,700. Due to the full utility replacement, drainage, and brick pavement, the engineer's opinion of probable construction cost is approximately \$5 million. The construction is anticipated to take twelve (12) months to complete.

The funds have not been specifically identified in the FY21-22 budget.

ALTERNATIVES:

The following alternatives are provided for consideration:

- 1. Do not recommend approval of the professional services agreement as presented or
- 2. Recommend an alternate scope of work.

ADVANTAGES:

Recommending approval allows the design work to commence immediately.

DISADVANTAGES:

1. Funding has not been specifically identified for this project.

ATTACHMENTS:

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