

COUNCIL ACTION FORM

Meeting Date: October 9, 2025

Staff Contact: John Sullivan, Public Works Director

Agenda Item: Consider approval of agreement with UHL for engineering services related to 2026 streets projects

Background/Description of Item

In accordance with the adopted 2026 – 2030 Capital Improvement Plan, adopted by the City Council with the 2026 fiscal year budget on September 11th, design of the 2026 streets projects must begin to prepare for bidding the construction work in early 2026. The City Engineer, Uhl Engineering, has supported the City's roadway improvement projects in past years and has provided support in scoping and preparing the 2026 projects for design engineering. W. 50th Street and W. 51st Street between Mission Rd. and Belinder Ave. are street lengths that need varying degrees of rehabilitation and which are included in the 2026 CIP.

Staff Comments/Recommendation

The scope of each project is identified below:

W. 50th Street (Mission Rd. to Belinder Ave.)

- 2-inch mill and overlay
- limited full-depth patching
- removal and replacement of curb & gutter
- removal of 4-foot sidewalk and replacement with 5-foot sidewalk
- removal and replacement of driveway approaches
- installation of new streetlights

W. 51st Street (Mission Rd. to Belinder Ave.)

- 2-inch mill and overlay
- limited full-deep patching
- installation of new streetlights

The curb & gutter on this street is in very good shape and meets the ADA. The existing 4-foot sidewalk is in very good shape and meets the ADA for cross-slope and running grade but does not meet the 5-foot width recommended by the City's Complete Streets Plan. If we remove all of the 4-foot sidewalks to incorporate 5-foot sidewalks it will require the removal of the curb & gutter that is adjacent to those sidewalks. This would be necessary because we do not have enough existing ROW to accommodate the additional foot of sidewalk as well as the street lighting.

With that being said I am proposing the current 4-foot sidewalk remain with 250 feet passing lanes installed as allowed by the ADA. I advise that in the future when the sidewalks and curb & gutter need to be replaced on this street, the sidewalks be widened to 5 feet to accommodate the ADA and conform to the City's adopted Complete Streets Plan. I also recommend installing the streetlights as far back as the ROW will allow to accommodate a future sidewalk widening.

Budget Impact

The CIP includes estimated expenses for design engineering in 2025 and construction engineering in 2026 in the following amounts for each project:

W. 50th Street (Mission Rd. to Belinder Ave.)

- Budgeted: \$90,936 (2025 design engineering) and \$60,624 (2026 construction engineering and construction observation) = \$151,560 total engineering
- Contract amount: \$140,687

W. 51st Street (Mission Rd. to Belinder Ave.)

- Budgeted: \$40,532 (2025 design engineering) and \$31,022 (2026 construction engineering and construction observation) = \$77,554 total engineering
- Contract amount: \$31,559

As the CIP is an unbudgeted fund, it is permissible for the City Council to enter into a full contract in 2025 for both the 2025 and 2026 budgeted expenses for these professional services.

Suggested Motion

I move to authorize the Mayor to execute the Professional Service Agreement with UHL Engineering for the final design and construction engineering of W. 50th Street in the amount of \$140,687 and W. 51st Street in the amount of \$31,559.00 for a combined total of \$172,246.00 from the CIP.