

Council Agenda Statement

Meeting Date: July 15, 2025
To: City Council
Through: Jackie Wilde, Acting City Manager
From: Kristin Erchinger, Finance Director



Agenda Item: Enter into Contract with QAP for Mile 2.0 to 3.0 of Shotgun Cove Road

BACKGROUND, JUSTIFICATION, & INTENT:

The City of Whittier completed construction of Mile 0 to 2.0 of Shotgun Cove Road. This next phase, from Mile 2.0 to 3.0 -- consists of the full scope of design from MP 2.0 to 4.5 and a phased construction approach. The first phase includes construction of MP 2.0 to 3.0; the second, from MP 3.0 to 4.5 will require additional funding competition. The construction of Shotgun Cove road provides for future residential housing, commercial opportunities, reduced traffic congestion, and tie-in with the US Forest Service recreational plan, all of which translate to measurable economic impacts to the people and businesses of Whittier, as well as enhanced and improved state tourism opportunities.

The City issued an Invitation to Bid on May 21, 2025 with a proposal submission deadline of June 24, 2025. Four bids were received that were deemed responsive (QAP, GMC, Qayaq and Bristol). A review committee of four individuals from the City and the engineering firm CRW, scored the proposals and recommend contract award to Quality Asphalt Paving, providing the best value based on a combination of technical response scoring and project cost.

This Resolution also authorizes acceptance of multiple Project-related grants, and appropriates those funds to the project.

CONSISTENCY CHECKLIST:

	Yes	No	N/A
1. Comprehensive Plan	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
2. Whittier Code: 3.32 <i>Purchasing and Contract Procedures</i>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
3. Other: 2025 <i>Legislative Priorities – Federal, State, and Local</i>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

FISCAL NOTE: The bid for Mile 2.0 to 3.0 of Shotgun Cove Road totals \$7,860,343. This does not include the cost of construction administration and project management. Funding in the amount of \$6,045,950 of Federal Lands Transportation Program funding was received in FY2025, in addition to \$926,000 in funding from the Denali Commission's Surface Transportation Match/Gap Funding to provide the City with the required grant match. The Denali Commission funding will be routed through the Federal Highway Administration to be added to the City's existing Shotgun Cove Road grant, to streamline the grant management process under the City's ten-year partner federal agency. The total amount of funding available, including previous FLAP funding, is approximately \$10.2 million. No additional funding is required by the City for this phase.

ATTORNEY REVIEW: ☐ Yes ☐ No ☒ Not Applicable

RECOMMENDATION: The administration recommends approval of a construction contract with Quality Asphalt Paving, and acceptance of grant funding.