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City Manager's Report
August 8, 2023, City Council Meeting
Prepared by: Melissa McConnell, Senior Engineer
Item #: 12.6

Subject: Consider appropriating funds for the Smith Flat Road Storm Drain and Paving project (CIP #42213) and approving an Agreement for Engineering Services with R.E.Y. Engineers, Inc. for the said project.

Recommendation: Adopt a resolution:

1. Approving an Agreement for Engineering Services with R.E.Y. Engineers, Inc. in the amount of \$809,088 for the Smith Flat Road Storm Drain and Paving Project (CIP #42213), and authorizing the City Manager to execute the same; and
2. Authorizing the City Engineer to issue Notice to Proceed No. 1 in the amount of \$413,185 to R.E.Y. Engineers, Inc for the said project.
3. Approving a \$400,000 budget appropriation in Measure L Fund for the said project.

Purpose: Smith Flat Road connects Broadway to Jacquier Road/Point View Drive and the existing pavement condition has deteriorated beyond maintenance and needs repaving. The project will also assess and repair or replace any underground utilities that are in poor condition.

Strategic Plan Strategy: Strategy 4 - Update and Maintain City-Owned Infrastructure.

Background: The City's Pavement Management Program cites a Pavement Condition Index (PCI) of 8 for Smith Flat Road, citing it as failed and in need of replacement. In addition, Smith Flat Road experiences isolated areas of flooding during rain events due to failed and/or undersized storm drain culverts. Staff has identified storm drain repairs to be included in the project, and additional repairs or replacements may be identified through the project design process. Staff has not identified any sewer repairs needed, and El Dorado Irrigation District (EID) staff has not identified any necessary waterline repairs or replacements that need to be included in the project. However, there may be some identified repairs after further investigations during design. Smith Flat Road has City sewer, but it does not appear to have a City or EID waterline within the roadway. It is believed that the EID waterline may run behind the properties on the south side of Smith Flat Road or receive feed from Centennial Court.

Discussion: Staff released a Request for Proposals (RFP) for Consulting Services on March 6, 2023, and the proposals were due on March 10, 2023. Two proposals were received – from Dokken Engineering and R.E.Y. Engineers, Inc. – and they were reviewed and ranked by a panel of three in accordance with the procedures stated in the Request for Proposals. The proposal from R.E.Y. Engineers, Inc. ranked the highest among all three reviewers. Their proposal demonstrated a

thorough knowledge of the project, and it was evident that they put a lot of time and effort into upfront data collection for extensive understanding of the existing roadway and City utilities.

R.E.Y. Engineers, Inc.’s proposal includes a detailed scope, schedule, and fee for the project. Their scope of work will take the project from the preliminary engineering/project scoping efforts all the way through final design to construction engineering support. Staff is recommending approval of the Consulting Services Agreement with R.E.Y. Engineers, Inc. for the negotiated scope and fee in the amount of \$809,088. Staff is recommending issuance of Notice to Proceed #1 (NTP #1) to R.E.Y. Engineers, Inc. in the amount of \$413,185 for the preliminary engineering phase, including the utilities condition assessment and evaluation, to kick-off the project.

Below is a tentative milestone project schedule, assuming Council’s approval to move forward with staff’s recommendations:

Project Kick-off	August 2023
Completion of Preliminary Engineering.....	June 2024
Completion of Final Design	December 2024
Begin Construction	Spring 2025

Options:

1. Approve the Agreement with R.E.Y. Engineers, Inc., issuance of NTP #1, and the budget appropriations, as recommended by staff.
2. Provide other direction to staff.

Environmental: The project was determined to be Categorical Exempt according to CEQA Guidelines Section 15301 because the project involves the rehabilitation and replacement of existing facilities. A Notice of Exemption was filed with the El Dorado County Recorder’s Office on November 3, 2021.

Cost: The cost of the proposed Agreement for Engineering Services with R.E.Y. Engineers, Inc. is \$809,088. The cost of the Notice to Proceed No. 1 with R.E.Y. Engineers, Inc. is \$413,185.

Budget Impact: The City Council adopted the Fiscal Year 2021/2022 Capital Improvement Program Budget which appropriated \$200,000 for the Smith Flat Road Storm Drain and Paving project (CIP #42213). At its meeting held on June 6, 2022, the Measures H/L Sales Tax Committee recommended that the City Council approve a \$300,000 budget appropriation for the Smith Flat Road Storm Drain and Paving project (CIP #42213).At its meeting held on June 5, 2023, the Measure H/L Sales Tax Committee recommended the City Council approve an additional \$100,000 budget appropriation from the Measure L Fund for the said project for a total project budget of \$600,000. Staff respectfully requests the City Council approve the Committee’s recommendations.

To date, the project has encumbered the following costs:

UNICO Engineering, Inc.	\$ 25,789
R.E.Y. Engineers, Inc. (Proposed Notice to Proceed No. 1)	413,185
El Dorado County Recorder Clerk	50
City Personnel	<u>7,856</u>
Total	<u><u>\$ 446,880</u></u>

As you can see, the \$446,880 in project encumbrances, including the proposed \$413,185 NTP #1 with R.E.Y. Engineers, Inc., is within the proposed \$600,000 project budget.



M. Cleve Morris, City Manager
Attachments:



Rebecca Neves, City Engineer

Attachment A: Resolution