



Department Source: Public Works

To: City Council

From: City Manager & Staff

Council Meeting Date: February 15, 2016

Re: Engineering Services Agreement for Shepard to Rollins East-West Connection Project

Executive Summary

Authorizing the City Manager to execute a Professional Engineering Services agreement with TranSystems Corporation for the design and limited construction administration for an east-west trail beginning at the intersection of Williams Street and Rollins Street, taking a southerly route around the MU Veterinary facilities, then crossing the Hinkson Creek with a bridge, and ending at the south end of the Buff Dale Drive cul-de-sac. The consultant was selected through a competitive process that meets city, state, and federal requirements. The Interested Parties meeting was held on January 26, 2015, and a Public Hearing was held on March 16, 2015.

Discussion

The Shepard to Rollins East-West Trail Connection project is a GetAbout Columbia trail project, and will provide an important east to west connection from MU Campus and the downtown business district to neighborhoods to the east. At the September 3, 2013 Council meeting, this project was added to the list of projects to be completed with Round 2 GetAbout funding.

This project is being designed in two phases, and through the competitive process, TranSystems was selected to complete both phases.

Phase A - On September 2, 2014, Council authorized an engineering services agreement with TranSystems for a not-to-exceed amount of \$55,965.82, to complete a trail study to consider various alignments. The study was completed in February of 2015, and the results were presented to Council during a public hearing held on March 16, 2015. At that meeting, Council directed staff to complete design and construction of alignment Option 1, and the alignment through University property.

Phase B – Staff is requesting authorization of a second engineering services agreement with TranSystems for the design and limited construction administration of alignment Option 1, and the connection through University property. The agreement is for a not-to-exceed amount of \$152,870.37 and will be funded by GetAbout grant funds.

Fiscal Impact

Short-Term Impact: The agreement with TranSystems Corporation for the design of the trail is \$152,870.37, and is funded by GetAbout grant funds. The estimated construction cost of the trail is \$917,700.



Long-Term Impact: Maintenance of the trail is expected to cost \$3,000 per year.

Vision & Strategic Plan Impact

Vision Impacts:

Primary Impact: Transportation, Secondary Impact: Parks, Recreation & Greenways, Tertiary Impact: Not Applicable

Strategic Plan Impacts:

Primary Impact: Infrastructure, Secondary Impact: Economy, Tertiary Impact: Not Applicable

Comprehensive Plan Impacts:

Primary Impact: Infrastructure, Secondary Impact: Mobility, Connectivity, and Accessibility, Tertiary Impact: Livable & Sustainable Communities

Legislative History

Date	Action
03/16/2015	(B54-15) Public Hearing
09/02/2014	(R164-14) Authorizing an agreement with TranSystems Corporation for an alignment/conceptual study of four potential connections of the Shepard to Rollins East-West connection.
04/21/2014	(R70-14A) Authorizing an agreement with TranSystems Corporation for an alignment/conceptual study of three potential connections of the Shepard to Rollins East-West connection.
01/26/2014	Interested Parties Meeting
09/03/2013	(REP 134-14) Non-Motorized Transportation (GetAbout) project prioritization.
04/15/2013	(R53-13) Grindstone Creek Trail and GetAbout projects

Suggested Council Action

Authorize the City Manager to execute a Professional Engineering Services agreement with TranSystems Corporation for the design and limited construction administration of the Shepard to Rollins East-West Connection Project.