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CITY COUNCIL STAFF REPORT

Meeting: January 17, 2012

Subject

Stevens Creek Corridor Park and Restoration Phase 2 – Amend design services agreement.

Recommended Action

Adopt a resolution authorizing the City Manager to negotiate and execute an amendment to the agreement with SSA Landscape Architects for design services for Stevens Creek Corridor Park and Restoration Phase 2, Project 9134.

Discussion

The City Council reviewed design elements, funding and authorized grant applications for Stevens Creek Corridor Park and Restoration Phase 2 in January, March, April and May 2011. The City Council authorized proceeding with design work on January 18, 2011 and authorized a design services agreement with SSA Landscape Architects (SSA) not to exceed \$200,000. On May 17, 2011 the City Council authorized design work to continue.

In June 2011, as part of the 2011-12 Capital Improvement Program, the City Council approved a project budget of \$1,400,000 for the design phase. The balance of the overall project budget and construction funding is planned for inclusion in the 2012-13 capital program.

From early 2010 through spring 2011, preliminary work by SSA's team totaling \$80,000 was completed. This work addressed initial concepts, grant-related design and evaluation of creek restoration alternatives. A new agreement was initiated in summer 2011 based on the reviews and actions noted above. Schematic design under the current agreement is now complete for fees totaling approximately \$110,000. This amount included a significant portion for subconsultant hydrologic support and for development and analysis of several alignment alternatives.

Staff recommends amending the current design services agreement to add scope and funding for the remaining design work to continue to bid phase. The design team's tasks include landscape architectural and civil, hydrological, electrical and geotechnical engineering services. Staff recommends that the City Council authorize the City Manager to execute an amendment to the existing agreement. The amendment will add work scope for remaining design phase tasks, for a total contract fee not to exceed \$380,000 (inclusive of the schematic design cost) plus an additional services allowance not to exceed \$38,000. The fee is deemed appropriate for the services to be provided.

Sustainability Impact

Design and implementation of the Stevens Creek Corridor Park and Restoration Phase 2 project will support the city's sustainability goals.

Fiscal Impact:

Funding is available in the Stevens Creek Corridor Park and Restoration, Phase 2, Project budget.

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Approved for Submission by: David W. Knapp, City Manager

Attachments

A – Resolution

B – Area Map