



BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
AGENDA LETTER

Agenda Number:

Clerk of the Board of Supervisors
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Department Name: Community Services
Department No.: 057
For Agenda Of: January 9, 2023
Placement: Administrative
Estimated Tme: N/A
Continued Item: No
If Yes, date from: N/A
Vote Required: Majority

TO: Board of Supervisors
FROM: Department George Chapjian, Community Services Director (805) 568-2467
Director:
Contact Info: Jill Van Wie, Capital Program Leader (805) 568-2470
SUBJECT: Professional Service Contract for the Tuckers Grove Bridge Replacement Project; Second Supervisorial District

County Counsel Concurrence

As to form: Yes

Auditor-Controller Concurrence

As to form: Yes

Risk Concurrence

As to form: Yes

Recommended Actions:

That the Board of Supervisors:

- a) Approve and authorize the Chair of the Board of Supervisors to execute the professional services agreement with Bengal Engineering, Inc. (Bengal) in the amount not to exceed \$292,286 to allow Bengal to provide civil engineering services to complete the Tuckers Grove Bridge Replacement Project (Attachment A);
- b) Determine that the above recommended action does not constitute a project subject to environmental review under the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) pursuant to CEQA Guidelines Section 15063 which consists of conducting an initial study following preliminary review to determine if the project may have a significant effect on the environment leading to an action which a public agency has not yet approved.

Summary Text:

The attached professional service agreement will allow Bengal Engineering, Inc. to provide complete engineering design for the Tuckers Grove Bridge Replacement project for removal of an existing concrete crossing over San Antonio Creek that is considered an existing barrier to steelhead trout fish passage in Tuckers Grove Park. Staff conferred with other engineering firms in an effort to determine the firm best suited to accomplishing the project successfully, and recommends Bengal on the basis of their demonstrated competence, professional experience, responsiveness, and ability to provide the required scope of services for this project on a timely basis with compatible hourly rates to prior

contracts. Preliminary engineering and preliminary environmental review was completed in November 2022 and an initial study will commence in order to determine if additional environmental actions may be needed for approval.

Background:

The Tuckers Grove Bridge Replacement Project involves the replacement of the existing concrete summer crossing with a concrete bridge over San Antonio Creek, located within Tucker's Grove County Park in Santa Barbara. The current concrete structure is considered to be a barrier for steelhead trout. A replacement bridge spanning over the creek would enhance the movement and migration of steelhead trout along San Antonio Creek and also reduce sediment build up and bank erosion both upstream and downstream of the summer crossing. Preliminary engineering services and preliminary environmental review for the Project has been completed, and an environmental document will be finalized for future Board approval in conjunction with the completed design. Board approval of the recommendation will allow Bengal to complete the civil engineering design for the Project.

Risk:

The agreement applies County standard independent contractor terms and conditions in accordance with State of California laws and regulations, and federal laws and regulations, where applicable. The risk mitigation includes insurance coverage appropriate for the level of risk involved as determined by Community Services in conjunction with the County Risk Manager, and the agreement indemnifies County agents, officers and employees from all claims that arise from activities performed under the agreements.

Fiscal and Facilities Impacts:

In June 2022 the Board approved American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) discretionary funding for the Tuckers Grove Bridge Replacement project. All costs for work are budgeted within the Community Services Department Parks Division capital fund budget under project 61BTGP.

Attachments:

Attachment A: Agreement for Professional Services with Bengal Engineering, Inc.

Special Instructions:

After Board action, please distribute as follows to Jill Van Wie, Community Services Department:

1. Minute Order
2. Agreement for Professional Services with Bengal Engineering, Inc.