



Parks & Recreation

To: Mayor and City Council Members
Doug Faseler, City Manager

From: Jack Jones, Director of Parks and Recreation

Through: Rick Cortes, Assistant City Manager

Date: March 1, 2016

Subject: **Resolution of the City Council of the City of Seguin, Texas authorizing the City Manager to approve a Professional Services Agreement with TRC Engineering, Inc. in the amount of \$302,529 for design, engineering, and construction administration services related to the North Vaughan/San Antonio Avenues and Park West Sidewalk Project; and declaring an effective date.**

On August 19, 2014, the City Council authorized City staff, through an approved Resolution, to submit for potential Alamo Area Metropolitan Planning Organization (AAMPO) matching funding for a sidewalk project along North Vaughan Avenue, San Antonio Avenue, and along and within Park West. The AAMPO Policy Board awarded the City of Seguin Federal matching funding, through the Texas Department of Transportation (TxDOT), for the sidewalk project.

As approved in the 2015/2016 fiscal year budget, the City is issuing \$652,378 in Certificates of Obligation bonds and using \$125,000 from the 2013 Parks Bonds for the City's share of the sidewalk project for a total of \$777,378 in City funding for the project. This approved funding will cover the City match for construction costs and design, engineering, and construction administration costs (design, engineering, and construction administration costs are not eligible for Federal participation). On October 20, 2015, the City Council approved an Advance Funding Agreement (AFA) for the sidewalk project with TxDOT. Based on the estimated construction cost of \$1,206,888 submitted to the AAMPO, the overall construction cost-sharing between all the parties is as follows according to the approved AFA:

- Federal Participation: \$965,510
- State Participation: \$69,275
- Local Participation (City): \$313,525 (construction only)

On February 2, 2016, the City Council approved a Resolution directing staff to negotiate a Professional Services Agreement with TRC Engineers, Inc. for design, engineering, and construction administration services related to the North Vaughan/San Antonio Avenues and Park West Sidewalk Project. Attached for consideration is the proposed TRC Scope of Services along with their Professional Services Agreement in the amount of \$302,529, along with a tentative layout of the sidewalks. In the 2015/2016 Capital Improvement Program (CIP) budget, \$404,000 was earmarked for engineering/indirect costs. The proposed TRC fee for services rendered is well within the overall project budget. The additional funding in the engineering/indirect costs budget is considered contingency to pay for any indirect costs associated with the sidewalk project that may arise. Overall, the TRC Scope of Services is more than a typical sidewalk project due to the use of Federal funds as the City has to meet all Federal and State requirements that are laid out in TxDOT's Local Government Project Procedures Manual. In addition, there is significant engineering involved with the pedestrian bridge that will cross the Walnut Branch alongside North Vaughan Avenue.

Once the project is engineered and designed, the necessary project documents are compiled, and appropriate permits are secured and approved by TxDOT, the project will be advertised for construction. It is anticipated that the project will be advertised for construction by August 31, 2016, with construction starting sometime in the fall.

After bids are received and a construction contract awarded, the City will be responsible for any construction costs above the Federal Participation amount stated in the AFA. Similar to the Tor Drive Project, the City will oversee all construction management of the project.

Staff recommends approval of a Resolution of the City Council of the City of Seguin, Texas authorizing the City Manager to execute a Professional Services Agreement with TRC Engineering, Inc. in the amount of \$302,529 for design, engineering, and construction administration services related to the North Vaughan/San Antonio Avenues and Park West Sidewalk Project; and declaring an effective date.