

**MEMORANDUM**

To: Mayor Keil  
City Council  
Doug Faseler, City Manager

From: Jose (Joe) R. Ramos, Jr., P.E.

Subject: Stempel Road Street Reconstruction Project  
Engineer and Design Update  
Authorization to Amend Purchase Order to TRC

Date: March 14, 2018

In 2016, City Council approved the engineering and design of the Stempel Road Street Reconstruction Project, including the option to design two possible, Texas Department of Transportation (TxDOT) required acceleration (accel) and deceleration (decel) lanes, one on 123 Business (Austin Street) and one on State Highway 123 (Bypass). At that time, the design of the accel/decel lanes was not included by staff in the purchase order issued to TRC, since it was unknown if the lanes would be required by TxDOT.

TxDOT has decided to require the accel/decel lanes and staff finds it financially advantageous that the work be performed now rather than later. The cost of infrastructure construction has outpaced the rate of inflation and the cost of installing the improvements at a later date will require additional funding.

Therefore, staff will amend the purchase order (#04868) to TRC to include the design of the lanes in the amount of \$51,153, as previously approved by resolution #2016R-48. Staff will also request at a future City Council meeting, approval of a change order to construct the accel/decel lanes by Cox Commercial Construction (Cox), the contractor for the project. Staff will request Cox provide a change order amount based on the forthcoming design and on existing unit costs.

Funding will come from the 2016 Certificate of Obligation Bonds for Stempel Road. If the change order is more than the remaining funds available, staff will request City Council approval for additional funds at the next regular meeting.

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