

COUNCIL AGENDA: 2/27/18

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CITY COUNCIL ACTION REQUEST Dept. Approval: Department(s): CEQA: Coordination: Public Works /s/ Jon Cicirelli Mitigated Negative PBCE, PRNS, CAO and Declaration for the City Manager's Budget Covote Creek Trail Office Master Plan (Montague Council District(s): CMO Approval: Expressway to Watson District 4 Park), File No. PP09-218.

SUBJECT: FIRST AMENDMENT TO MASTER AGREEMENT WITH GHD, INC. FOR VARIOUS CITY TRAIL PROJECTS

## **RECOMMENDATION:**

Approve the First Amendment to the Master Agreement with GHD, Inc. extending the expiration of the agreement from June 30, 2018 to June 30, 2020 for the limited purpose of allowing the Consultant to complete services for the Covote Creek Trail (Brokaw Rd – UPRR) under Service Order No. 8, at no additional cost to the City.

## **BASIS FOR RECOMMENDATION:**

On August 13, 2013, Council awarded a Master Agreement for Engineering Services for Various Trail Projects in the amount of \$2,000,000 to GHD, Inc. To date, thirteen service orders have been issued to GHD pursuant to this agreement for various trail projects. A balance remains in the Master Agreement which will permit new Service Orders to be issued until the initial June 30, 2018 deadline. The deadline extension only applies to Service Order No. 8 and pertains to the special permitting issues noted below.

Service Order No. 8 is the final outstanding assignment per the Master Agreement. The service order provides bid and construction assistance for the Trail: Covote Creek (Brokaw Rd – UPRR) project.

The City and GHD have prepared construction documents for the project to the 95% stage. The City is applying for a California Public Utilities Commission (CPUC) permit because the trail alignment passes beneath Union Pacific Rail Road (UPRR) tracks. CPUC requires about 9 months for its permitting process. Per conversations with CPUC, City staff anticipates obtaining the permit in the summer of 2018 which would support advertising of the project in the fall of 2018. Construction is anticipated to start in the spring of 2019 and be completed by the end of 2019. Securing services from a firm not familiar with the project is not time or cost efficient due to the significant project knowledge and understanding of the design approach gained through preparation of the construction documents.

Approval of the First Amendment to this Master Agreement will allow GHD to continue to provide services for the Coyote Creek Trail (Brokaw Rd – UPRR) project under this existing Service Order No. 8.

## **COST AND FUNDING SOURCE:**

No funding is needed to approve the First Amendment to the Master Agreement as funds are already included in the specific project service order.

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