



DATE: May 3, 2021

TO: Mayor and Members of the City Council

VIA: Peter Pirnejad, City Manager

FROM: Paul Nagengast, Project Advisor, Regional Government Services

SUBJECT: CONTRACT AMENDMENT NO. ONE (1) IN THE AMOUNT OF \$46,745 WITH SCHAAF & WHEELER CONSULTING CIVIL ENGINEERS FOR PHASE III SERVICES FOR THE LEVEE PROTECTION PLANNING AND IMPROVEMENTS PROJECT (CIP 327-657)

RECOMMENDATION

It is recommended that the City Council adopt the attached resolution authorizing the Mayor to execute Contract Amendment No. One (1) to Phase III – Bidding, Construction Support Services and Project Closeout (Phase III) contract with Schaaf & Wheeler Consulting Civil Engineers (Schaaf & Wheeler) in the amount of \$46,745 for the development of interpretive signage required as part of the San Francisco Bay Conservation and Development Commission (BCDC) permit for the Levee Protection Planning and Improvements Project (CIP 327-657).

Funding will be provided by the budget established for the Levee Protection Planning and Improvements Project (CIP 327-657).

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

BCDC Permit No. 2018.005.00.00 requires the design and installation of interpretive signage to be integrated into the levee pathway. Bellinger Foster Steinmetz (BFS), the landscape architect included in the Schaaf & Wheeler Phase III contract, has submitted a proposal for this task which is outside of their original scope of work. The proposal has been reviewed and staff recommends the approval of Contract Amendment No. One (1) to cover costs related to the completion of interpretive signage.

BACKGROUND

It is necessary to obtain a BCDC permit prior to undertaking work in the Bay or within 100 feet of the shoreline. On December 2, 2019, BCDC issued Permit No. 2018.005.00.00, allowing the City of Foster City to construct the Levee Protection Planning and Improvements Project (CIP 327-657). The approved permit is subject to various special conditions included as part of Section II in the permit, such as the installation of interpretive elements for the required public access area. These elements should convey topics such as the historical, cultural, engineering, and biological context of the project and sea level rise and adaptation.

On November 16, 2020, the City Council adopted Resolution No. 2020-130 authorizing the Mayor to execute an agreement with Schaaf & Wheeler, in an amount not-to-exceed \$2,600,000 for the Phase III services for the Levee Protection Planning and Improvements Project. Phase III work includes bidding, construction support services, and project closeout. A project contingency was not established at the award of contract with Schaaf & Wheeler.

As a sub-consultant to Schaaf and Wheeler, BFS is responsible for the landscaping design elements and irrigation and planting plan along the levee. Their scope of work also provided for the inclusion of the comprehensive wayfinding elements such as mile markers, signs indicating maintained public pathways to parks and streets, pathways to the shoreline, adjacent Bay Trail parks (Shorebird, Bridgeway, and Bay Winds), crosswalk signage, speed limit/use signage, and ecological points of interest. BFS provided for the levee furnishings such as benches, donor benches, picnic tables, bicycle racks, bicycle repair stations, information kiosks, recycling and trash receptacles, pet litter stations, solar lighting, and the installation of the interpretive signage pedestal foundations.

ANALYSIS

To maintain momentum and continuity and to continue with the work to meet the requirements of the BCDC Permit, staff is recommending approval of Contract Amendment No. One (1) to the agreement with Schaaf & Wheeler. The amendment will provide for the content development and artwork design for six interpretive panels including planning of the sign locations along the new levee pedway.

The development of the content and artwork for the interpretive signage is the last design element required by the City's permit with BCDC. Contract Amendment No. One (1) would address the scope of work to fulfill this requirement.

FISCAL IMPACT

With the execution of Contract Amendment No. One (1), the revised contract amount is \$2,646,745:

Phase III Contract	\$2,600,000
Contract Amendment #1	<u>\$46,745</u>
Revised Contract Amount	\$2,646,745

Adequate funding is available in the budget for the Project (CIP 327-657).

CITY COUNCIL VALUE/PRIORITY AREA

This action supports the Levee Protection and Improvements Planning Project, which falls under the “Facilities and Infrastructure” Value/Priority Area. The key outcome is to provide interpretive/educational signage to enhance the experience of levee users.

Attachments:

- Attachment 1 – Resolution
- Attachment 2 – Schaaf & Wheeler Contract Amendment No. One (1)
- Attachment 3 – BFS Interpretive Signs Scope of Work and Cost