

CITY OF JOPLIN COUNCIL AGENDA ITEM

ITEM

Council Bill 2020-145 Work Authorization OLS-OC20-04 with Olsson for professional engineering consulting services for Phase 1 of the Zora Widening project from Rangeline to MO-249.

MEETING DATE

June 15, 2020

ORIGINATING DEPT

Public Works-Engineering

ATTACHMENTS

Council Bill 2020-145; Work Authorization; Location Map

REVIEWED BY

Director of Public Works: David Hertzberg; Finance Director: Leslie Haase; City Attorney: Peter Edwards; City Manager: Nicholas Edwards

SUMMARY

This Council Bill authorizes the City Manager or his designee to approve a work authorization with Olsson in the not to exceed amount of Two Hundred Twenty-Seven Thousand Four Hundred Fifty and 00/100 dollars (\$227,450.00) for professional engineering consulting services for Phase 1 of the Zora Widening project from Rangeline to MO-249.

BACKGROUND

In August 2014, the voters passed the Renewal of the Capital Improvement Sales Tax Program for an additional 10 years. One of the projects was the widening of Zora Street from Rangeline to MO-249. In November 2015, City Council approved an agreement with Bartlett & West, Inc. for preliminary engineering consulting services through the 60% Right of Way plans portion of the project. Bartlett & West has completed the scope of work included in this work authorization, and therefore a new agreement is needed to proceed with the engineering services required to complete the project. Olsson has been selected as the engineering firm to complete the remaining engineering services for this project moving forward. Work Authorization OLS-OC20-04 with Olsson is for engineering services associated with Phase 1 of the project. Phase 1 of the E. Zora widening project is defined as the construction of a new intersection at Zora St. and Duquesne Road. The Annual Average Daily Traffic Count (AADT) on Zora St. in this area is over 5,500 vehicles per day, and the AADT on Duquesne Rd./Hall St. north of Zora is over 5000 vehicles per day. A substantial percentage of these vehicles are trucks accessing the industrial park located north of this intersection. The project has been split into separate phases to allow for the intersection of Zora and Duquesne to be "shovel-ready" by the winter of 2020/2021, should any potential stimulus funding opportunities arise. Future work authorizations will be required for engineering services required for the completion of the remainder of the Zora widening project, not including this intersection. City staff has reviewed the fees submitted by Olsson for the engineering consulting services and found them to be within industry standards.

FUNDING SOURCE

Capital Improvement Sales Tax

RECOMMENDATION

Staff recommends approval of Council Bill 2020-145, Work Authorization OLS-OC20-04 with Olsson in the not to exceed amount of Two Hundred Twenty-Seven Thousand Four Hundred Fifty and 00/100 dollars (\$227,450.00) for professional engineering consulting services for Phase 1 of the Zora Widening project from Rangeline to MO-249 on an emergency basis, in that said ordinance provides for public improvements and is considered to be an emergency per section 2.12(6) of the HOME RULE CHARTER of the City of Joplin, Missouri, and as such, this ordinance shall become effective immediately upon its passage. Furthermore, approval of this council bill will allow for the intersection included in Phase 1 to be shovel ready by this winter, should additional funding opportunities become available, and will also allow for design coordination with a proposed Liberty Utilities project to relocate the existing power poles along Zora St., and is therefore an emergency.