

REPORT TO CITY COUNCIL

To: Honorable Mayor and Members of the City Council

From: Grant Yates, City Manager

Date: October 24, 2017

Subject: Professional Services Agreement with Envicom Corporation for Lake Street

Expansion and Temescal Canyon Road Realignment Joint Project Review

Recommendation

Approve and authorize the City Manager to execute a Professional Services Agreement with Envicom Corporation in an amount not to exceed \$100,000 for MSHCP Compliance/Joint Project Review for the Lake Street Expansion and Temescal Canyon Road Realignment Projects in such final form as approved by the City Attorney.

Background

Certain road improvement projects are required as part of the proposed development of properties within the Alberhill District. Two of these road projects are the Lake Street Expansion Project and the Temescal Canyon Road Realignment. While the Alberhill projects are generally exempt from the MSHCP pursuant to a settlement agreement between Castle & Cooke and the County of Riverside, city roads within those projects must be processed in accordance with the MSHCP. Section 7 of the MSHCP establishes the requirements for "covered roads." MSHCP reserve assembly compliance is required if a covered road project is located within a Criteria Cell(s). The proposed road projects are located within a Criteria Cells and therefore require RCA review in the form of Joint Project Review (JPR).

Discussion

Preparation of the JPRs for road projects requires familiarity with the MSHCP, biological assessments and consistency analyses in accordance with Section 7 and other applicable components of the MSHCP. The Community Development staff solicited proposals from qualified environmental consultants and recommends that Envicom Corporation be selected to perform the necessary environmental services to prepare and process the JPRs for the two road improvement projects.

The Lake Street Expansion project would involve realignment and widening of a section of Lake Street from the I-15 intersection south to Nichols Road. Lake Street is an Urban Arterial Roadway as designated in the City of Lake Elsinore's General Plan Circulation Element. Lake Street is a major thoroughfare south of the I-15 Freeway and will serve as the main entrance into the City's Alberhill District area. The project will consist of realigning a majority of Lake Street to the west of the existing alignment for a distance of approximately 7,000 linear feet. The Lake Street alignment will occur over several private properties. The majority of the proposed grading of the Lake Street Roadway will occur within the Pacific Clay property.

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Temescal Canyon Road from Lake Street to the City boundary will be realigned from its current location and moved southerly across several private properties. Temescal Canyon Road is an Urban Arterial Roadway as designated in the City's General Plan Circulation Element. The project will consist of a relocated roadway that will abandon the existing Temescal Creek Bridge at Temescal Canyon Road and will connect to a newly constructed bridge over the Temescal Canyon Creek. The Temescal Creek Bridge is a separate project and is already in the Joint Project Review process. Temescal Canyon Road's cross-section will be six lanes wide with a Right-of-Way of 120 feet, and a landscaped median. The majority of the proposed grading of the Temescal Canyon Road will occur within the Pacific Clay property.

Fiscal Impact

Professional services provided by Envicom in connection with the JPRs shall be paid through a cost recovery account established by the City with funds deposited by the Castle & Cooke/Pacific Clay development entities. Envicom's proposal of \$90,320, plus an additional \$9680 in contingency funds for specialized studies, provide for a not to exceed contract amount of \$100,000. No City funds will be expended under the proposed Professional Services Agreement.

A. Professional Services Agreement