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Memorandum

Date: June 7, 2023
To: Urban Subcommittee
From: Mark Lindemann, District Engineer 
Subject: Urban Subcommittee Meeting Minutes – June 2023

The Urban Subcommittee met on Wednesday, June 7, at the NRD Office, at 5:00 pm. Subcommittee members participating included John Yoakum- committee chair, Gary Aldridge, Melissa Baker, Deborah Eagan, Stacie Sinclair, and Ray Stevens. Others participating included NRD staff Paul Zillig, David Potter, Al Langdale, Mike Murren, Drew Ratkovec, and Mark Lindemann. Dan Lightbody with Olsson was also in attendance. Director Yoakum called the meeting to order at 5:05 pm. There were two (2) items the Subcommittee took action on, and one report. A revised Urban Background Memo and the final version of Olsson's Agreement Amendment #2 (item **B**) was handed out to Directors as they arrived. These documents are also attached. A quorum was present for the meeting.

A. Consideration of Bids for the Deadman's Run South Bank Repair Project - 70th and "O" Street [ACTION] – Lindemann noted corrections made to the June 5th Memo to the Directors and then provided a brief history of the Project. It was explained that construction activities from Tommy's Car Wash resulted in a bank failure that required repair. Olsson performed a geotechnical investigation and design to prepare plans for the repair project. It was also noted that the developer for the car wash acknowledged that the construction activities for the car wash caused the failure and have contributed \$165,000 for repairs. The project was advertised for construction bids with a bid opening on May 31st, with two (2) bids received from contractors. M.C. Wells Contracting, LLC had the low bid of \$144,030. The second bidder, Yong Construction, had a bid of \$369,256. Bids were reviewed by Dan Lightbody of Olsson, with a recommendation to award the bid to M.C. Wells Contracting, LLC for the base bid of \$144,030. Dan Lightbody was present to answer questions from the subcommittee. Questions were asked on the significant difference in total bids, with Lightbody noting that the unit pricing for excavation and recompaction was much greater for the higher bid. Langdale noted that the District has experience working with M.C. Wells on other projects such as Salt Creek Levee and Antelope Creek. Zillig also explained that the NRD has a license agreement with the new owners of Tommy's (Olympus Pines, LLC) that allows for temporary access and staging on a portion Tommy's property to complete the repairs. To limit impacts to the business, the license agreement requires construction be completed within 60 days with a possibility of a 30-day extension.

It was moved by Eagan, seconded by Stevens, and approved by the Subcommittee (5 voting Yes, 1 Voting No) to recommend that the Board of Directors approve the low bid of \$144,030, by M.C. Wells Contracting, LLC, for the Deadman's Run South Bank Repair Project at 70th and "O" Street, pending legal counsel review.

B. Consideration of a Professional Services Agreement with Olsson for Construction Observation Services on the Deadman's Run South Bank Repair Project – 70th and "O" Street. [ACTION] – Lindemann referred to the final version of Olsson's Letter Agreement Amendment #2 that was received by the NRD earlier in the day and handed out to Directors prior to the meeting. This final version has been reviewed by staff and has been sent to Legal Counsel for review. It was explained that construction management and site inspection of the bank repair project is needed to ensure plans and specifications are met and that the project is constructed properly. Olsson, as the designer and engineer of record of the project is in the best position to perform these services and was contacted by NRD staff to provide a proposal for construction management and inspection services. The total fee for these services is not to exceed \$48,825.00. Dan Lightbody was present to answer questions from the subcommittee. Directors asked questions with responses provided by Lightbody and Staff.

It was moved by Stevens, seconded by Eagan, and approved by the Subcommittee (5 voting Yes, 1 Voting No) to recommend that the Board of Directors approve the Professional Services Agreement Amendment #2 with Olsson for Construction Management and Observation Services for the Deadman's Run South Bank Repair Project at 70th and "O" Street, at an amount not to exceed \$48,825.00.

Report: Antelope Creek 40th to Scott Avenue

An update on construction progress for the Antelope Creek Bank Repair Project at 40th to Scott Avenue was provided by Staff. Photos and drone video footage was shared to help describe the wall and liner construction that has taken place. Langdale noted other project activity included a subcontractor soon replacing a water line and an end section of storm sewer pipe will also be replaced at the north channel bank. The revised Contractor schedule shows substantial completion on July 31, 2023. Final seeding and permanent erosion control will occur in the fall to ensure good vegetation establishment.

There being no other items on the agenda or other discussion, the meeting adjourned at 5:28 pm.