



Request for City Council Committee Action from the Department of Public Works

Date: November 19, 2013

To: Honorable Sandra Colvin Roy, Chair Transportation & Public Works Committee

Referral to: Honorable Betsy Hodges, Chair Ways and Means/Budget Committee

Subject: **Hennepin/Lyndale Avenues Reconstruction Design Contract**

Recommendation:

- A. Authorize the execution of a contract with Kimley-Horn and Associates, Inc. in the amount of \$908,455 for the design work relating to the reconstruction of Hennepin and Lyndale Avenues.
- B. Authorize negotiations with property owners for the acquisition of right-of-way and temporary construction easements for the Hennepin/Lyndale Avenues Reconstruction Project

Previous Directives:

- June 21, 2011 - Authorize proper city officers to submit a series of applications for Federal SAFETEA-LU funds and to commit local funds to support the approved SAFETEA-LU projects.

Department Information:

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Approved by: _____

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Presenters in Committee: Ole Mersinger, Project Engineer, Department of Public Works, TPE

Reviews

- Permanent Review Committee (PRC): Approval _Y_ Date _7/11/2013_
- Civil Rights Approval Approval _Y_ Date _11/12/2013_

Financial Impact

- No financial impact

Community Impact

- Neighborhood Notification: Major institutions contacted.
- City Goals: Liveable Communities, Healthy Lives;
- Comprehensive Plan: Identified in Minneapolis Plan for Sustainable Growth and Access Minneapolis.

Supporting Information

Background

The Hennepin/Lyndale Reconstruction Project involves the reconstruction of portions of the Hennepin/Lyndale Interchange. The proposed project will reconstruct the roadway including pavement, curb and gutter, signage, curbside sidewalks, ADA compliant curb ramps, street lighting per the City's Street Light Policy, and drive entrances. This segment of roadway is designated as an Activity Area street type in the *Minneapolis Plan for Sustainable Growth and Access Minneapolis*. This street segment is located adjacent to several churches, a museum, and regional park.

The project is comprised of the following four sections:

- SB Hennepin/Lyndale Avenue from Dunwoody Blvd to EB I-94 Entrance Ramp.
- SB Hennepin Avenue from Douglas Avenue to Franklin Avenue.
- NB Hennepin Avenue from Franklin Avenue to Groveland Avenue.
- NB Hennepin/Lyndale Avenue from Groveland Avenue to WB I-94 Exit Ramp 231B.

The following are the three primary objectives of the project

- Improve the condition of the infrastructure for all modes of travel (vehicular, transit, bicycle, and pedestrian)
- Improve pedestrian use and safety through the use of upgraded ADA curb ramps, durable cross-walk markings, count-down timers at signals, and overall lighting.
- Improve traffic operations through the use of dynamic message signs

Design Firm Contract Execution

Staff developed a Request for Proposal (RFP) for Engineering Design Services for the roadway reconstruction project. Three design firms submitted proposals on August 16, 2013. The design teams have since provided oral presentations summarizing their approach to the project and estimated project cost. Based on the information provided by the respondents and input from the review panel, Kimley-Horn and Associates, Inc. was deemed the best firm to complete the project. Minneapolis Department of Civil Rights has reviewed Kimley-Horn and Associates, Inc. bid for compliance with obtaining the Small and Underutilized Business Program goals for the project. Minneapolis Department of Civil Rights concurrence was received November 12, 2013. Approval is therefore requested to award the Engineering Design Services work to Kimley-Horn and Associates, Inc. for an amount of \$908,455. Project construction is scheduled to take place in 2015 and 2016.

Project Right-of-Way Needs

The current right-of-way within the project limits has been maximized for motorized and non-motorized uses. It is anticipated temporary construction easements will be necessary to construct the project. Small permanent property acquisitions may be necessary to construct portions of the project. Staff is requesting authorization to begin conversations with property owners as part of preliminary design efforts.

Attachment: Project Map

Cc: CM Lisa Goodman