

CITY COUNCIL AGENDA ITEM
CITY OF SHORELINE, WASHINGTON

AGENDA TITLE:	Motion to Authorize the City Manager to Execute a Contract with MacLeod Reckord for design services for the Interurban Trail North Central Segment.
DEPARTMENT:	CMO/Public Works
PRESENTED BY:	Jan K. Knudson, Economic Development/Central Shoreline Development Program Manager Kirk McKinley, Aurora and Interurban Trail Project Manager

PROBLEM/ISSUE STATEMENT: Staff is requesting that Council authorize the City Manager to execute a contract not to exceed \$400,000 with MacLeod Reckord to perform design services for the Interurban Trail North Central Segment. The Interurban Trail Project is identified in the City's 2004 CIP Budget. It is also identified as part of Goal No. 1 of the Council's 2003 -2004 Workplan - "Work toward completion of the Aurora Corridor and Interurban Trail Projects".

This project will design highly visible pedestrian/bicycle improvements on Seattle City Light right-of-way between N 175th Street and N 192nd Street completing the final segment of the Interurban Trail. MacLeod Reckord's team will provide services to include trail design, urbanscape architecture and traffic engineering services, survey, preparation of plans, specifications, cost estimates and bid documents, preparation of permit and environmental documents, preparation of right-of-way acquisition documents as necessary, and public involvement.

It will also include coordination with the City's 1% for Art Program, and significant coordination with Seattle City Light and private redevelopment efforts along the Trail alignment. The final product will be plans, specifications and estimates (PS&E) for construction of the Trail.

The North Central Segment of the Interurban Trail is a key feature in the Central Shoreline area. This segment of the Trail travels through the City's major commercial core parallel to the Aurora Avenue Corridor giving it visibility and prominence. It will be a key element in the redevelopment of Shoreline's geographic center.

SELECTION PROCESS: A Request for Qualifications (RFQ) was issued for the project on March 17, 2004. The City received six proposals and interviewed two firms. MacLeod Reckord was chosen to be the most responsive to the RFQ and qualified for the project.

MacLeod Reckord has significant experience designing trail and urban design corridor projects for municipalities and other public entities. They also have experience incorporating art processes and designing public spaces.

FINANCIAL IMPACT: On December 1, 2003, Council authorized reprogramming approximately \$400,000 in the CIP from 2006 to 2004 for design of the North Central Trail segment. The proposed 2005-2010 CIP being presented to Council on June 14 reflects this change.

The current request for \$400,000 is within the reprogrammed amount authorized by Council in December 2003. To achieve this target, certain tasks have been deferred in the scope until it is more certain that they are necessary. These tasks include additional ground surveying for trail alignment, fast-tracking portions of the trail being constructed as part of private development and completing design of underground utilities. If it is determined these tasks are necessary or desirable, and their costs exceed \$50,000, staff will return to Council to request these additional funds.

The funding programmed for this project within the Capital Improvement Program (CIP) is approximately \$2,400,000. At this time, only funds from the City's Roads Capital Fund are available for the design of the project. Funding for construction is actively being pursued from the State, through the Interagency for Outdoor Recreation, and through federal grants.


The urban design component of this project will include working with the City's Parks, Recreation and Cultural Services (PRCS) Board for the City's 1% for Public Arts Program. The 1% for Public Arts Program stipulates that art funds are available during the project's construction phase.

SCHEDULE: Design of the North Central Trail segment will begin upon execution of the contract. The project team will meet with the PRCS Board on June 24 to begin the public art process. Public meetings are expected to be held in early September and November. Final PS&E are expected to be completed approximately 10 months from Notice to Proceed or Spring 2005. Advertisement for construction will be contingent upon availability of funds.

RECOMMENDATION

Staff recommends that Council authorize the City Manager to execute a design contract with MacLeod Reckord for design services for the Interurban Trail North Central Segment for an amount not to exceed \$400,000.

Approved By:

City Manager  City Attorney 