

#### AGENDA MEMORANDUM

Action Item for the City Council Meeting July 20, 2021

**DATE:** July 20, 2021

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Professional Services Amendment 1
Everhart Road – South Padre Island Drive to McArdle Road
(Bond 2018, Proposition B)

## **CAPTION**:

Motion authorizing Amendment No. 1 to a professional services contract with Freese & Nichols Inc., Corpus Christi, Texas, to provide design, bid, and construction phase services for the reconstruction of Everhart Road from South Padre Island Drive to McArdle Road, located in City Council District 2, in an amount of \$361,859.00 for a total amount not to exceed \$411,851.00 with funding available from the Bond 2018, Storm Water, Water, and Gas Funds.

#### SUMMARY:

This motion authorizes approval of Amendment No. 1 to a professional services contract for design, bid, and construction phase services for the construction of Everhart Road from South Padre Island Drive to McArdle Road. The project improvements include new pavement reconstruction, curb and gutter, sidewalks, ADA compliant curb ramps, signage, pavement markings, and utility upgrades.

### **BACKGROUND AND FINDINGS:**

Everhart Road from South Padre Island Drive to McArdle Road is 0.25 miles in length and is classified as an A-1 Minor Arterial Undivided Street (two through-lanes in each direction with a continuous center turn lane) that was originally expanded from a rural two-lane section in 1962. The roadway was originally constructed in 1962 with reconstruction in 1981 and sealcoat done in 1994. This portion of Everhart Road provides access primarily to adjacent residential neighborhoods, and small to medium size businesses.

The proposed project will maintain the same roadway width while providing a new pavement, ADA compliant curb ramps, driveways, drainage improvements, new signage, pavement markings, and utility upgrades. This Bond 2018 project was delayed to be designed and constructed concurrently with the Bond 2020 Everhart from McArdle Road to Staples Street and Staples Street to Alameda Street. The Everhart Road Bond 2018 and Bond 2020 projects when completed will provide an approximately 1.30 miles of new pavement.

An initial small A/E contract in the amount of \$49,999 was previously authorized to develop a preliminary Engineering Letter Report which would complete conceptual design and better define the scope, cost, and schedule for the project.

# **PROJECT TIMELINE:**

2021 - 2022	2022 – 2022	2022-2024
July - June	July-September	October – September
Design	Bid/Award	Construction

Project schedule reflects City Council award of design contract starting in July 2021 with design completion in June 2022. The anticipated project construction will begin in October 2022 with proposed completion in September 2024.

### **COMPETITIVE SOLICITATION PROCESS:**

Freese & Nichols was selected for the Bond 2018 Everhart Road Project in February 2019 under RFQ 2018-10. Everhart Road was one of thirty-two selections that were announced under the Transportation Category of the RFQ. Fifteen firms submitted under the Transportation Category and thirteen firms were selected. Freese & Nichols Inc. was among one of the thirteen qualified firms selected in the Transportation Category, and Everhart Road was one of their preferred projects.

The selection committee with representatives from the Street Department and Engineering Services ranked Freese & Nichols qualifications based on five factors: 1) experience of the firm, 2) experience of the key personnel with specific experience with multiple Bond street programs and local utilities, 3) project approach and management plan, 4) capacity to meet the project requirements and timelines, and 5) past performance.

Freese & Nichols has completed other projects for the City, such as Staples Street from Kostoryz Road to Brawner Parkway, Ocean Drive from Louisiana Avenue to Buford Street, Yorktown Boulevard from Everhart Road to Staples Street, Ayers Street from Ocean Drive to Alameda Street, and Downtown Street Traffic Signals and Area Improvements.

### **ALTERNATIVES**:

Any alternative to awarding this contract to Freese & Nichols Inc., will delay construction of the project and impede the completion of Bond 2018 street projects in a timely manner and within budget.

### FISCAL IMPACT:

The fiscal impact for FY 2021 is an amount of \$411,851.00 with funding available from the Bond 2018, Storm Water, Water and Gas Funds.

## **FUNDING DETAIL:**

The CIP shows that the project is planned for FY 2022 and FY 2023. The project is ready to be implemented and the expenditures shown in the CIP need to be revised to reflect the design of this project. The total expenditures to date on this project are approximately \$49,599.00.

Fund: ST2020 Bond 18 Proposition 2 (Fund 3557) Mission Elem: Street Pavement Maintenance (051)

Project: Everhart Road – South Padre Island Drive to McArdle Road (Project No. 18015A)

Account: Outside Consults (550950)

Activity: 18015-A-3557-EXP

Amount: \$214,026

Fund: StrmWtr 2020 (Fund 4532)

Mission Elem: Storm Water Drainage (043)

Project: Everhart Road – South Padre Island Drive to McArdle Road (Project No. 18015A)

Account: Outside Consults (550950)

Activity: 18015-A-4532-EXP

Amount: \$61,861.00

Fund: Water 2020 (Fund 4099)

Mission Elem: Water Distribution System (041)

Project: Everhart Road – South Padre Island Drive to McArdle Road (Project No. 18015A)

Account: Outside Consults (550950)

Activity: 18015-A-4099-EXP

Amount: \$74,573.00

Fund: Gas Cap Reserve (Fund 4560) Mission Elem: Gas Distribution System (022)

Project: Everhart Road - South Padre Island Drive to McArdle Road (Project No. 18015A)

Account: Outside Consults (550950)

Activity: 18015-A-4560-EXP

Amount: \$11,399.00

### **RECOMMENDATION:**

Staff recommends award of the contract to Freese & Nichols in the amount of \$361,859.00. The design phase will start in July 2021 with design completion planned in July 2022. Construction is planned to start in October 2022 with the anticipated project completion in November 2024.

#### **LIST OF SUPPORTING DOCUMENTS:**

Location Maps Contract Amendment #1 CIP Page