



## City Council Agenda Item

**City Council Meeting Date:** April 21, 2020

**TO:** Jim Throop, City Manager

**FROM:** Brian Halvorson, Planning Manager  
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**SUBJECT:** Professional Services Agreement with RRM Design Group for the Development/Design of the Lompoc Streetscape Multi-Modal Improvement Plan Funded Through the California Department of Transportation Sustainable Communities Competitive Grant

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### **Recommendation:**

Staff recommends the City Council authorize the City Manager take the following actions:

- 1) Execute a Professional Services Agreement not to exceed \$232,490 with RRM Design Group (attached), for consultant services for transportation/engineering/design, community needs assessments, outreach and overall planning work related to a Sustainable Communities Grant received from the California Department of Transportation (Caltrans). The Agreement also includes other consulting services such as technical studies and/or design work and associated plans, project management and administration, to complete all tasks related to the completion of the Lompoc Streetscape Multi-Modal Improvement Plan (LSMMIP); and
- 2) Authorize the Community Development Director to execute Contract Amendments for an aggregate amount not to exceed \$25,000.

### **Background:**

On October 5, 2018, Caltrans released the final Senate Bill 1 Transportation Funding grant guidelines. The grant funding is intended to support multi-modal transportation, and land use planning to implement Regional Transportation Plan Sustainable Communities Strategies and achieve the State's greenhouse gas reduction goal.

On November 20, 2018, the City Council authorized staff to apply for grant funding in the amount of \$258,500 to fund the LSMMIP, with an estimated cost of \$292,000.

The purpose of the LSMMIP is to improve the main transportation corridors along Highway 1 (North H Street) and Highway 246 (Ocean Avenue) by analyzing/providing enhanced multi-model transportation opportunities and improved streetscapes to implement various goals and policies of the City's Circulation and Urban Design Elements of the General Plan.

**Discussion:**

On May 17, 2019, the City received notification of a grant award from Caltrans in the amount of \$258,508, and the grant agreement was approved by the City Council and executed in October 2019.

In December 2019, the City issued a Request for Proposals from qualified and interested consulting firms and/or teams of consulting firms in a joint venture to accomplish all of the necessary components of the LSMMIP. On February 20, 2020, RRM Design Group was selected as the most qualified proposal.

**Fiscal Impact:**

The grant requires a minimum local cash match of 11.47% (\$33,492) of the total estimated cost of the project to receive \$258,508 in grant funding. Staff time is permissible to use towards the local cash match. However, other funding such as Measure A could also be used.

The contract for funding the work associated with the grant is for an amount not to exceed \$232,490.

**Conclusion:**

Approval of the agreement with RRM Design Group will allow the City to continue moving forward on planning efforts associated with the development/design of the LSMMIP.

Respectfully submitted,

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Brian Halvorson, Planning Manager

**APPROVED FOR SUBMITTAL TO THE CITY MANAGER:**

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Christie Alarcon, Community Development Director

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Jim Throop, City Manager

Attachment: Professional Services Agreement