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Attachments: 1. Location Map - Discovery Place Master Planning

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Discovery Place Master Planning

Action:

Approve a contract for \$200,000 with Discovery Place, Inc. for master planning services.

Staff Resource(s):

Mike Davis, Engineering and Property Management William Haas, Engineering and Property Management

Explanation

- This contract will provide funding for Discovery Place to supplement existing consultant work to provide a more complete master plan to determine the future needs of the facility.
- Consultant services may include facilitating community outreach meetings, projecting future attendance, and coordinating with specialty audio-visual designers.
- The master plan will determine:
 - How best to maximize the Discovery Place Science facility on North Tryon Street,
 - Meet Discovery Place's educational priorities,
 - Serve the needs of a growing and changing community, and
 - Be an integral component of the North Tryon Vision Plan.
- On January 23, 2017, City Council approved \$950,000 in funding to develop a master plan for the 37-year old facility.
- On November 13, 2017, City Council approved a \$700,000 contract with Jenkins-Peer Architects,
 PA to develop the major design and exhibit elements of the master plan.
- Discovery Place will use this \$200,000 to contract with consultants to provide services that are not included in Jenkins-Peer's scope of work.
- Discovery Place will be required to submit itemized invoices to the City to seek reimbursement for these expenses.
- The remaining \$50,000 will be used to fund City staff costs for time spent on the master plan.
- City staff will participate in meetings with Jenkins-Peer and consultants contracted through Discovery Place.
- Discovery Place is a nonprofit corporation that encourages public interest and understanding of science and technology. It operates a science museum in facilities leased from the City.

Charlotte Business INCLusion

No subcontracting goals were established because there are no subcontracting opportunities (Part C: Section 2.1(a) of the Charlotte Business INClusion Policy).

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Funding: Cultural Facilities Operating Fund

Attachment(s) Map