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# **2022 City Bridge Inspection Contracts**

### **Action:**

- A. Approve a contract in the amount of \$110,153.82 with Rummel, Klepper & Kahl, L.L.P. for the inspection of bridges not qualifying for federal funds,
- B. Approve a contract in the amount of \$847,394.77 with Rummel, Klepper & Kahl, L.L.P. for the inspection of bridges that qualify for federal funds administered by the North Carolina Department of Transportation,
- C. Adopt a resolution authorizing the City Manager to execute a Municipal Agreement with the North Carolina Department of Transportation to share the cost of inspecting 184 City -maintained bridges and culverts in the amount of \$677,915.82, and
- D. Adopt a budget ordinance appropriating \$677,915.82 from the North Carolina Department of Transportation for bridge inspections into the General Capital Projects Fund.

## **Staff Resource(s):**

Liz Babson, Transportation Geoff Sloop, Transportation

## **Explanation**

- The Federal Highway Administration (FHWA) mandates that bridges and culverts be inspected every two years.
- Bridges are inspected for structural adequacy, safety, and functionality.
- Bridges that are greater than 20 feet in length qualify for federal reimbursement of 80 percent of the cost of inspections.
- The North Carolina Department of Transportation (NCDOT) administers the reimbursement process on behalf of FHWA.
- The intergovernmental arrangement constitutes multiple agreements and contracts that must be approved by the City Council.
- On October 20, 2021, the City issued a Request for Qualifications (RFQ); seven responses were received.
- Rummel, Klepper & Kahl, L.L.P. best meets the City's needs on the basis of demonstrated competence and qualification of professional services in response to the RFQ requirements.
- This is the first part of the 2022 Bridge Inspection Program. Over the next two years, City Council

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will see contracts for the design and construction of needed repairs related to these inspection contracts.

#### Action A

- The contract with Rummel, Klepper & Kahl, L.L.P. is for the inspection of 40 City-maintained bridges and culverts that do not qualify for federal reimbursement.
- The City is responsible for 100 percent of the costs associated with the inspection and maintenance of these bridges and culverts.
- The City's costs are included in previously-approved 2020 Bond funds.

#### Actions B, C, and D

- The contract with Rummel, Klepper & Kahl, L.L.P. is for the inspection of 184 City-maintained bridges that qualify for federal reimbursement.
- The total cost for inspections is \$847,394.77.
  - FHWA will reimburse the City for 80 percent of the total cost of inspections, which is \$677,915.82.
  - The City is responsible for 20 percent of the total cost, which is \$169,478.95.

#### **Charlotte Business INClusion**

#### Action A

The City negotiated subcontracting goals after the proposal selection process (Part C: Section 2.1(h) of the Charlotte Business Inclusion Policy). Rummel, Klepper & Kahl, L.L.P. has committed 12.00% (\$13,218) of the total contract amount to the following certified firm:

- Alpha and Omega Group (SPSF) (\$4,406) (bridge inspection services)
- MI Engineering, PLLC (SPSF) (\$4,406) (bridge inspection services)
- Simpson Engineering Associates (SPSF) (\$4,406) (bridge inspection services)

#### Disadvantaged Business Enterprise (DBE)

#### Action B

No goals shall be established on Contracts where: (a) there are no subcontracting opportunities identified for the Contract; or (b) there are no DBEs certified to perform the scopes of work that the City regards as realistic opportunities for subcontracting.

These contracts meet the provisions of (a) - No subcontracting opportunities.

#### **Fiscal Note**

Funding: General Capital Investment Plan and Federal Highway Administration Funds

#### Attachment(s)

Resolution Budget Ordinance List of Non-Qualifying Bridges List of Qualifying Bridges