

## Legislation Text

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### Independence Boulevard Area Sidewalk and Bike Facilities South

#### **Action:**

**Approve a contract in the amount of \$418,521 with Kimley-Horn and Associates, Inc. to provide planning services for the Independence Boulevard Sidewalk and Bike Facilities South.**

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

Gina Shell, Engineering and Property Management  
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#### **Explanation**

- In November 2016, voters approved a \$2 million bond referendum for the Southeast Corridor Sidewalk and Bikeway Improvement Program.
- This contract will provide planning services for 4.37 miles of sidewalk with two projects identified in the Independence Boulevard Sidewalk and Bike Facilities-South:
  - South Ped Bike Boulevard - Independence Boulevard Area Project (paralleling Independence Boulevard from Briar Creek Greenway to Mason Wallace Park, 3.8 miles).
  - Briar Creek Road Connector (Commonwealth Avenue to Monroe Road, .57 miles).
- The planning services include but are not limited to:
  - Public involvement,
  - Various analysis (e.g. storm drainage, traffic, etc.),
  - Conceptual plans, and
  - Cost estimates.
- On February 17, 2014, a Request for Qualifications (RFQ) was advertised for advanced preliminary planning to begin work on the 2014 Community Investment Plan.
  - On April 28, 2014, City Council approved a contract in the amount of \$175,000 to Kimley-Horn and Associates, Inc. for sidewalk and bikeway improvement projects. This contract included an option to continue services with the selected consultant as an incentive for good performance.
- Kimley-Horn and Associates, Inc. is the best qualified firm to meet the City's needs.

#### **Charlotte Business INClusion**

The City negotiates subcontracting participation after the proposal selection process (Part C: Section 2.1 (h) of the Charlotte Business INClusion Policy). Kimley-Horn has committed 23.57 percent (\$98,655) of the total contract amount to the following certified firms:

- CES Group Engineers (SBE, WBE) (\$42,000) (survey/mapping)
- Hinde Engineering (SBE) (\$30,320) (planning)
- Amy K Steinmetz (SBE) (\$15,000) (community engagement)
- Boyle Consulting Engineers (SBE) (\$11,335) (geotechnical)

#### **Fiscal Note**

Funding: General Transportation Community Investment Plan

#### **Attachment(s)**

Map