

TOWN OF PALM BEACH

Information for Town Council Meeting on: October 13, 2020

TO: Mayor and Town Council

VIA: Kirk W. Blouin, Town Manager

VIA: Jane Le Clainche, CPA Finance Director

FROM: Dean Mealy, CPPO Town Purchasing Manager

RE: Resolution to Approve the Design Services for Phase 7 and Phase 8 for Town-wide Undergrounding to Kimley-Horn and Associates, Inc. in the amount of \$2,387,791 with a Project Budget of \$2,587,791
Resolution No. 110-2020

DATE: October 5, 2020

STAFF RECOMMENDATION

Town staff recommends that Town Council approve Resolution No. 110-2020 for Design Services for Phase 7 and Phase 8 of the Town-wide Undergrounding Project to Kimley-Horn and Associates, Inc. in the Amount of \$2,387,791 with a Project Budget of \$2,587,791.

WHY THE DESIGN SERVICE FOR PHASE 7 AND 8 ARE REQUIRED NOW

Staff has experienced construction delays due to the difficulty in securing easements from the residents and property owners in Phases 1 through 4. Staff recommends moving forward on all remaining design phases as soon as possible to help reduce the potential of delays in Phase 8. By moving forward early with Phase 8 design, there is the potential of getting all required easements in a timely manner and actually combining Phases 7 and 8, which is a recommendation of the Peer Review. Lastly, this is an opportunity to take advantage of historically low interest rates. It may be possible to issue the second tranche of GO Bonds sometime next year if we are able to expedite the design, easement acquisition, and construction of the phases of the project yet to be complete.

GENERAL INFORMATION

Kimley-Horn and Associates, Inc. (Kimley-Horn) were selected through a CCNA solicitation for the design of the Town-Wide Undergrounding of Utilities Program to provide services related to the overall program implementation which included but may not be limited to development of a master plan, design, construction oversight, easement acquisition support, and coordination with utilities for design and construction. At the time of award, the Town negotiated a master contract which established rates and allowable rate adjustments for the life of the contract.

The Master Plan that was completed under the master contract established the phases, the schedule, and the opinion of cost. The program has been broken into eight (8) distinct phases and seven (7) of the eight (8) phases are broken into a north and south sub-phase. So far, the Town has awarded design of Phases 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, and 6. The proposal for Phase 7 was received July 17, 2020. The proposal for Phase 8 was received October 2, 2020.

Phase 7 services include the North Design Services (Via Marila to Country Club Road) and Phase 7 South Design Services (Sanford Avenue to Atlantic Avenue). Phase 8 includes Design Services (Royal Poinciana Way to Atlantic Avenue).

FUNDING/FISCAL IMPACT

Funding for the Design Services will be from the Underground Utility Fund.

PUBLIC WORKS REVIEW

This item has been reviewed by Public Works and approved as recommended.

TOWN ATTORNEY REVIEW

This format has been utilized by the Town in previous recommendations and was approved by the Town Attorney.

Attachments

cc: Paul Brazil, Public Works Director
Patricia Strayer, P.E., Town Engineer
Steven Stern, Utilities Project Manager
Duke Basha, Assistant Purchasing Manager
Eric Shibley, CPPB, Senior Buyer