



CONSENT CALENDAR

Agenda Item # 13

AGENDA REPORT SUMMARY

Meeting Date: July 10, 2018

Subject: Professional Services Agreement: Cuesta Traffic Calming Plan

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Attachment(s):

None

Initiated by:

City Council, Capital Improvement Program (CIP) Project TS-01022

Previous Council Consideration:

March 28, 2017

Fiscal Impact:

None

\$142,656 - already allocated in CIP budget TS-01022 FY19-23

Environmental Review:

Not applicable – Project Environmental Review will be conducted in Design Development phase of the project

Policy Question(s) for Council Consideration:

None

Summary:

- On May 30, 2018, City released a request for proposal for traffic calming plan on Cuesta Drive between El Monte Avenue and Springer Road
- City received one proposal
- Upon staff review and evaluation of the proposal, Alta Planning+Design was recommended for awarding the contract

Staff Recommendation:

Move to authorize the City Manager to execute a professional services agreement between the City of Los Altos and Alta Planning in an amount not to exceed \$142,656 for Cuesta Traffic Calming Plan project.



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Purpose

Authorize the City Manager to award professional services agreement between the City of Los Altos and Alta Planning in an amount not to exceed \$142,656 for Cuesta Traffic Calming Plan project.

Background

Cuesta Drive is a two-lane, east-west roadway, with a posted speed limit of 25 MPH. It connects the Downtown area with City of Mountain View business district and is classified as a collector in the General Plan. All side streets are stop controlled at the intersection of Cuesta Drive. The intersection of Cuesta and Campbell has all way stop control. The intersection of Cuesta and El Monte is signalized, and the intersection of Cuesta and Springer is all-way stop controlled.

Based on the speed studies conducted in the past, 85th percentile speed was more than the posted speed limit. To reduce the 85th percentile speeds on collector streets and to allow enforcement of the current posted speed limits, Collector Traffic Calming Plan (2011) was developed. This plan identifies specific traffic calming devices necessary to achieve speed reductions. A raised intersection at Cuesta and Arboleda was identified in this plan.

On March 28, 2017, Council opposed raising the speed limit on Cuesta Drive and directed staff to look at implementing traffic calming measures. Upon Council's direction, Staff worked with Cuesta neighborhood to identify traffic calming measures. Based on discussion with representatives from the neighborhood, staff identified raised intersections at Arboleda and Clark as potential traffic calming measures along Cuesta Drive between El Monte and Springer. This plan was brought to the Complete Streets Commission on March 28, 2018, and Commission supported implementing traffic calming measures.

Discussion/Analysis

On March 5, 2018, City issued request for qualifications for Transportation Engineering and Planning Services on-call. After evaluation of statement of qualifications received from eleven (11) firms, five (5) firms were shortlisted to be placed on the on-call list.

On May 30, 2018, City released a request for proposals for design of traffic calming measures on Cuesta Drive between El Monte and Springer to the five (5) firms on the on-call list. The proposal includes field investigation, conducting traffic studies, preparation of design plans, contract documents, public outreach meetings, bid support and construction support. Scope of work includes conducting traffic studies to evaluate the effectiveness of traffic calming measures and to determine if the traffic problem has shifted to other neighborhood streets. These studies include, before and after speed surveys, traffic counts and diversion study to identify any significant impacts.



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One proposal from Alta Planning+Design was received. Based on the firm's experience with similar projects, staff recommends awarding the project to Alta Planning+Design in the amount not to exceed \$142,656.

Options

- 1) Authorize the City Manager to award professional services agreement between the City of Los Altos and Alta Planning in an amount not to exceed \$142,656 for Cuesta Traffic Calming Plan project.

Advantages: Complies with Council direction, Project design and development will proceed with anticipated construction in FY 19-20.

Disadvantages: None

- 2) Do not authorize the execution of a professional services agreement for the design

Advantages: None

Disadvantages: Not authorizing the execution of the contract will result in delays to the project

Recommendation

The staff recommends Option 1.