



MEMO TO: Finance, Administration, and Communications Committee of the Whole

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SUBJECT: Temporary Construction Dewatering Analysis Project Economic Consultant Contract

I. PURPOSE ☐ For Info Only ☐ Potential Agenda Item ☒ Scheduled for Council Action

II. RECOMMENDATION

Add approval of Consultant Agreement with FCS Group for economic consulting services in the amount of \$74,070 onto the 11/4/19 Council Meeting Consent Agenda.

III. DEPARTMENT CONTACTS

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IV. DESCRIPTION/BACKGROUND

The Temporary Construction Dewatering (TCD) Analysis Project was approved as part of the 2019 – 2020 budget. The goal of the project is to:

1. Determine the extent of tensions between new dense development patterns and water resource management policies in Redmond from TCD.
2. Develop and implement a strategy to address these tensions.
3. Achieve strategies within the Community Strategic Plan's environmental sustainability and infrastructure initiatives.

The project will be conducted in three phases:

- Phase I – Analyze policy tension by:
 - Conducting a triple bottom line analysis to determine the economic, social, and environmental costs of TCD in Redmond using an economic consultant; and
 - Involving stakeholders to help inform the triple bottom line analysis inputs using a communication consultant; and
 - Using the analysis findings to determine:

- policy tensions that are reconcilable with operational changes; and
- policy tensions that are irreconcilable without code or Comprehensive Plan updates.
- Phase II – Weigh policy options and determine a path forward for irreconcilable policies. Weigh operational changes and determine a path forward for reconcilable operational changes.
- Phase III – Implement recommendations for irreconcilable policies and reconcilable operational changes.

This contract will support Phase I with an economic consultant to assist the City with the triple bottom line analysis.

A. Analysis

FCS is currently on retainer with the City as a Financial Consultant. They have been the financial consultant for the City's utilities since the 1980's and have in-depth understanding of the existing rates structures, capital charges, fiscal policies, regional issues, changing legislation, objectives and challenges.

Fiscal Considerations:

Funding for this contract is included as part of the 2019-2020 biennial budget adopted by City Council. The contract funds are set to not exceed the budget of \$75,000.

V. TIME CONSTRAINTS

The work under this contract is critical to accomplishing Phase I of this project. Delay in approving this contract may impact the ability to meet the goal of completing Phase I with a report to Council in the third quarter of 2020.

VI. LIST OF ATTACHMENTS

[Attachment A: Temporary Construction Dewatering Project Business Case SOW](#)