



Memorandum

Date: 11/10/2020

Meeting of: Committee of the Whole - Planning and Public Works

File No. CM 20-319

Type: Committee Memo

TO: Committee of the Whole - Planning and Public Works

FROM: Mayor Angela Birney

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TITLE:

Approval of Supplemental Agreement to the Contract with HDR, Inc., in the Amount of \$1,670,000, for Final Design, Permits and Property Rights Acquisition for the Evans Creek Relocation Project, and Authorize Staff to Negotiate and Acquire Additional Property Rights as Needed for the Project

OVERVIEW STATEMENT:

Evans Creek is a Class I stream situated in a highly developed area in southeast Redmond. It has a narrow riparian buffer, is channelized, sits adjacent to industrial properties, and may be influenced by stormwater runoff. This project will relocate about 3,000 ft of creek into open space to the north and connect to new channel enhancements downstream completed by Washington State Department of Transportation in 2013. Council authorized property rights acquisition on February 5, 2013 when the Consultant Agreement for preliminary design was approved.

☒ **Additional Background Information/Description of Proposal Attached**

REQUESTED ACTION:

☐ **Receive Information** ☐ **Provide Direction** ☒ **Approve**

REQUEST RATIONALE:

- **Relevant Plans/Policies:**
 - Redmond Watershed Management Plan
 - Stormwater CIP
 - WRIA 8 Chinook Conservation Plan (2005 and 2017 update)
- **Required:**

Revised Code of Washington 39.80 and City Purchasing Policies and Procedures requires Council authorization for the Mayor to sign the contract.
- **Council Request:**

N/A

- **Other Key Facts:**

- Request: We are requesting this item go forward for Council Approval at the December 1, 2020 meeting
- Other Facts: This project is currently the highest priority habitat project in the Stormwater CIP

OUTCOMES:

The project goals are:

- Relocate the stream channel away from existing industrial land use and into open space with forested riparian habitat
- Enhance in-stream habitat conditions and complexity
- Manage invasive plant species and establish native vegetation communities
- Increase riparian buffer and floodplain connectivity
- Improve fish passage to the upper watershed
- Provide the type of habitat needed to support significantly enhanced juvenile salmon rearing
- Increase passive recreational opportunities to foster environmental stewardship from the community
- Increase the potential for redevelopment of adjacent industrial properties with associated requirements for the installation of water quality and flow control facility upgrades

COMMUNITY/STAKEHOLDER OUTREACH AND INVOLVEMENT:

- **Timeline (previous or planned):**

Construction is planned to be accomplished over 2 summer permit seasons, currently anticipated to be 2023 - 2024, depending on permits and property rights acquisition.

- **Outreach Methods and Results:**

Several group meetings and multiple one-on-one meetings have been held with adjacent property owners along the current creek alignment that is proposed to be relocated. General public outreach may include e-newsletter and project signs.

- **Feedback Summary:**

Permanent easements were obtained from property owners to the east in 2019. Impacted property owners to the south are generally in favor of the project and plan to continue to coordinate with the City on the future uses of and requirements for their properties.

BUDGET IMPACT:

Total Cost:

\$1,670,000

Approved in current biennial budget:

☒ Yes

☐ No

☐ N/A

Budget Offer Number:

CIP 000169

Budget Priority:

Clean and Green

Other budget impacts or additional costs:

☐ Yes

☒ No

☐ N/A

If yes, explain:

N/A

Funding source(s):

Stormwater CIP

Budget/Funding Constraints:

- Any additional grants received during the project will decrease the amount of Stormwater CIP needed.

☒ **Additional budget details attached**

COUNCIL REVIEW:

Previous Contact(s)

| Date | Meeting | Requested Action |
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| 1/15/2019 | Business Meeting | Approve |

- The 2019 business meeting was for easement acquisition approval.

Proposed Upcoming Contact(s)

| Date | Meeting | Requested Action |
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| 12/1/2020 | Business Meeting | Approve |

Time Constraints:

The sooner this project can be completed, the better for the environmental enhancements this project will provide to salmonid habitat. In addition, the project needs to continue through the permit and property rights acquisition stage in order to meet the goal of construction over the summers of 2023-2024. Delays could cause increase in project costs, property owner changes and other changes that could impact the project scope, schedule and/or cost. The easement acquired in 2019 expires 3 years following the date when the City secures all permits for the project.

ANTICIPATED RESULT IF NOT APPROVED:

Progress on the project would be stopped. Previously obtained property rights may be lost.

ATTACHMENTS:

Attachment A - Site Map

Attachment B - Draft Consultant Supplemental Agreement

Attachment C - Summary Budget Table

Attachment D - Summary Project History