



Legislation Text

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SUBJECT/RECOMMENDATION:

Authorize a Work Order to Kimley-Horn and Associates, Inc. of Tampa, Florida in the amount of \$125,000.00 to prepare a Complete Streets Concept Plan for the City of Clearwater, and authorize the appropriate officials to execute same. (consent)

SUMMARY:

In March 2017, the City was awarded a grant from Forward Pinellas to develop a Complete Streets Concept Design for Drew Street. On May 15th 2017 the Planning and Development Department presented to City Council a roadmap for developing the citywide Complete Streets plan. The citywide Complete Streets Implementation Plan will further lead to the development of a Bicycle/Pedestrian Master Plan and identify elements and measures necessary to achieve the Bicycle Friendly Community Bronze designation

On July 20th 2017, City Council accepted a grant from Forward Pinellas grant for the Drew Street Concept Plan. The Drew Street project will serve as a pilot project supporting the development of the citywide Complete Streets plan. The unique characteristics of Drew Street offer a great opportunity to test and evaluate a wide range of Complete Street strategies.

The objective of the citywide implementation plan is to set the foundation for a roadway network that encourages mobility in the city. The citywide Complete Streets Implementation Plan will include the following:

- Definition of Complete Streets Guiding Principles that will inform a Complete Streets policy
- Development of a Complete Streets Citywide GIS Database/Facilities Inventory
- Document the existing challenges and barriers
- Identify context classifications and street typologies with associated street design guidance
- Development of a framework for projects prioritizations with robust evaluation methodology and fair selection criteria that considers (cost, connectivity, safety, demand, and equity)
- Development of performance measure metrics
- A detailed Action Plan for Implementation including funding options and performance metrics

In 2016, Forward Pinellas, acting as the Pinellas Planning Council and Pinellas County Metropolitan Planning Organization, approved six firms to provide professional planning services for five general planning “sub areas,” including multimodal transportation planning and analysis, economic analysis, communications and public involvement, urban design, and land use/redevelopment. Code of Ordinances sec. 2.564 (1)(b) allows for direct-contracting with consultants utilizing contracts previously awarded by other governmental entities.

The Planning and Development Department had selected Kimley-Horn and Associates, one of Forward Pinellas’ shortlisted Consultants, to carry out the citywide Complete Streets plan along with Drew Street Concept Plan. Streamlining the two projects tasks will promote efficiency and effectiveness.

APPROPRIATION CODE AND AMOUNT:

Funds are available in cost code 010-01420-530100, Professional Services, to fund this contract.

USE OF RESERVE FUNDS: N/A