



Snohomish County Council

Committee: Operations

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ECAF: 21-0122, 21-0137 & 21-0010

Proposal: Motions: 21-109, 21-110 & 21-116

Date: March 25, 2021

Consideration:

The Executive's Office requests Council consider approving proposed Motions 21-109, 21-110, and 21-116, which would approve and authorize the County Executive to sign three (3) professional service agreements related to the Meadowdale Beach County Park Project.

Background

Snohomish County purchased the property known as Meadowdale Beach County Park in 1968 with the intent to create a public park that has beach access. In furtherance of this goal, Snohomish County entered into an agreement with BNSF in 1987 to allow the County to have shared-use of the culvert that coveys Lunds Gulch Creek, a salmon bearing stream under the railroad embankment within the railroad's right-of-way the County installed a wooden boardwalk (later steel grating) above the stream within the tunnel for pedestrian access to the beach in 1988.

Over time, changes within the watershed resulted in flooding issues and accumulation of gravel at the culvert entrance hampering fish passage and pedestrian access. Through a public process the County developed a plan to replace 128 feet of railroad embankment with a railroad bridge, create an estuary for salmon habitat, provide a separated ADA-accessible path for pedestrian beach access, install picnic areas, a footbridge, and interpretive signage.

Plans for the project are approved through Planning and Development Services and all permits are issued. The public bid for county-procured construction services opened on March 16, 2021 and the award package will be coming before Council. Additionally, the required Underpass Agreement is under review with BNSF for final edits and is also anticipated to come before Council soon.

As anticipated, the County will be utilizing consulting services in three main areas to support Parks construction management activities: Railroad Engineer; Geotechnical Engineer; and Habitat and Park Consultants.

Current Proposal

Scope: Approval of three (3) professional service agreements to support Parks construction management activities – all consultants were selected through the county's RFQ process:

Motion #	Consultant	Scope	Budget
21-109	Hanson Professional Services, Inc.	<u>Railroad</u> related construction management services: overall observation of railroad bridge installation activities, coordination with other specialty construction management consultants and County Construction Manager, structural and civil engineering support, and assistance with the FRA grant reporting requirements.	\$779,445 (\$362,647 in FRA grant funds)
21-110	Shannon & Wilson	<u>Geotechnical</u> related construction management services: overall observation of the geotechnical aspects of the bridge installation and park and habitat elements of construction, haul route pavement monitoring, coordination with the County Construction Manager.	\$399,437 (\$74,227 in FRA grant funds)

21-116	Anchor QEA, LLC	<u>Park and Habitat</u> related construction management services: observation of estuary construction, riparian enhancement and installation of park-related elements, landscape architecture, biologist, architect, engineering support, coordination with the County Construction manager and other specialty construction management consultants, , and 1,3, and 5 year monitoring per permit and grant requirements.	\$790, 534.48 (\$4,504.68 in FRA Grant Funds)
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Duration: all agreements expire two (2) years from date of execution with the option to renew for two (2) additional one (1) year terms. The agreements may be terminated with five (5) days written notice.

Fiscal Implications: Total of all three service agreements = \$1,969,416.48

2021 Budget: YES. Included in the 2021-2026 CIP (approved by Ordinance 20-071¹)

Future Budget Impacts: YES. This is a multi-year project with REET 2 and Grant funds committed in all outyears of the CIP.

Note: Engineer's estimate of construction is \$15,000,000. Grants totaling \$6,954,000 received with remaining \$8,046,000 from REET 2 and tax-exempt bond funds (approved by Motion 20-401²).

Handling: URGENT. This project is on a critical path for moving forward.

Approved-as-to-form: YES.

Risk Management: APPROVE.

Executive Recommendation: APPROVE.

Attachments: Meadowdale Summary of Pending Actions

Amendments: NONE.

Request: Move to GLS on April 14th for Council to consider taking action.

¹ [Public Hearing - 2021 Budget Hearing - SPECIAL MEETING \(granicus.com\)](#)

² [Administrative Session \(granicus.com\)](#)