

Town of Paradise Valley

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DEPARTMENT: Engineering

AGENDA TITLE:

Discussion of Lincoln Drive Median Island Construction Contract

RECOMMENDATION:

Information, discussion and possible direction to staff related to the proposed Lincoln Drive Median Island construction contract.

SUMMARY STATEMENT:

Background

The Lincoln Drive Median Improvements are identified in the Town's Capital Improvement Program for completion in FY21 and includes new and modified medians to allow for safe and efficient vehicular travel, reconstruction of median island curbs, landscaping per the Lincoln Drive Character Areas and the installation of landscape irrigation to the medians east of Tatum Blvd.

In the fall of 2019 staff prepared initial median layout options and met with representatives of the resorts and places of worship along the Lincoln Dr. corridor. Staff also met with Council Members in small groups to obtain their feedback as well and present to them the comments and concerns from the resorts and places of worship. Staff then looked at all the comments received and made modifications to the proposed median layout where possible to provide safe, efficient and reasonable access to as many existing entrances from Lincoln Dr. as possible. This effort was especially challenging since there are over 80 residential driveways with access onto Lincoln Dr. The end result is that there will be no changes to existing access for residential properties, resorts or places of worship with the exception of a specifically requested change at Mountain Shadows Resort.

During the November 21, 2019 Town Council Work Study, staff presented an overview of the proposed improvements, coordination efforts to date with major stakeholders along the corridor as well as the design and approval process moving forward. No significant modifications have been made to the median layout since the previous Work Study. On February 27, 2020 staff presented the median landscape concepts for the specific Lincoln Dr. Character Areas and enhanced crosswalk design options for the intersection of Lincoln Dr. and Tatum Blvd.

Staff is proposing a cooperative use construction contract with Markham Contracting based on their existing job order contract with the City of Peoria. This proposed construction delivery method is recommended by staff in order to meet the construction timing required to reduce impacts to resorts recovering from the Covid-19 Pandemic and to have the project completed prior to the Lincoln Dr. asphalt mill and overlay project currently scheduled for the summer of 2021.

The proposed FY21 Capital Improvement Program budget for this project is \$2,150,000, which includes a contribution from Mountain Shadows Resort. This estimate was based on the 30% plans available at the time to project the estimated budget. Since that time, the 95% plans have been completed and made available to the contractor for pricing. The contractor's current cost to complete the work is \$2,572,000 which is \$422,000 over the proposed budget.

Staff has requested that the contractor talk to their subcontractors to lower their pricing and to lower the pricing on the work that they will self-perform. Staff is also looking at modifications to the proposed fiber conduit to determine if a portion of the work can be performed at a later date without cutting into the pavement. The design engineer and staff are also looking at potential modifications to the scope of work as it relates to the extent of the median island improvements and landscaping to reduce costs. Any proposed modifications would not impact access to resorts, places of worship or residences.

It is staff's intent to bring back a modified scope of work at the June 11th Work Study that is within the proposed budget. A construction contract may be included on the June 11th regular agenda or at the June 25th Council Meeting for approval.

BUDGETARY IMPACT:

The current construction quote of \$2,572,000 is \$422,000 over the proposed project budget of \$2,150,000. Staff is working with the design engineer and contractor to get a scope of work within the proposed project budget for review.

Mountain Shadows Resort will be contributing to the design and construction aspects of this project for the median changes associated with the new left turn lane per their request.

ATTACHMENT(S):

A - PowerPoint Presentation