

# City of Rochester Hills AGENDA SUMMARY FINANCIAL ITEMS

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Legislative File No: 2017-0185

TO: Mayor and City Council Members

FROM: Allan E. Schneck, P.E., Director of Public Services

**DATE:** April 17, 2017

SUBJECT: Auburn Road Corridor Study for the Brooklands District (previously known as Olde Towne)

City File No. E16-015

### **REQUEST:**

The Department of Public Services requests that the City Council approve the proposal for early preliminary engineering services from OHM Advisors for the Auburn Road Brooklands District in the not-to-exceed amount of \$115,702.60 and authorizes the Mayor to execute a contract on behalf of the City.

### **REASON FOR PURCHASE:**

The Auburn Road corridor redevelopment opportunities and major intersection improvements was recently checked.

The consultant team consisting of LSL Planning, MKSK, OHM Advisors, and the Chesapeake Group finished a draft report in December 2016. Prior to finalizing the draft report, the consultant team gave a joint presentation on September 27, 2016 with the Planning Commission and City Council to receive comments and answer questions.

The draft report included input from a Steering Committee, City Planning and Engineering staff, Planning Commission members and the City Council. A key objective from the comprehensive plan particularly calls out the improvement of the Brooklands (Olde Towne) district: "Encourage infill development and the improvement of existing retail areas in the Olde Towne area to create an Urban Village and to strengthen Olde Towne as a primary commercial area serving the surrounding neighborhoods."

The Brooklands area of Auburn Road is between Culbertson and Dequindre Roads and it is one of the oldest developed areas of Rochester Hills. One of the key actions towards progressing the redevelopment vision will be to ensure that this Auburn Road commercial stretch is complemented with sufficient infrastructure, pedestrian accommodations and roadway function. Thus, a proposal was requested from OHM Advisors, a quality-based engineering firm used by the Department of Public Services and also included on the corridor study consultant team, to perform Early Preliminary Engineering (EPE) for the project.

#### PROCESS:

**Vendor Name and Address:** 

OHM Advisors (aka Orchard, Hiltz & McCliment, Inc.) 34000 Plymouth Road Livonia, MI 48150

### Reason for Selection:

**Quality Based Selection** 

### Method of Purchase:

Blanket Purchase Order

## **BUDGET:**

The 2017 Budget did not appropriate funding for this proposed request. A 2018 Capital Improvement Project has been submitted for consideration with preliminary engineering is proposed at \$145,000 in 2018 and \$290,000 in 2019.

If approved by City Council, a 2<sup>nd</sup> Quarter 2017 Budget Amendment shall be presented to increase the Major Road Fund budget with offsetting funds to balance drawn from Major Road Fund Balance.

| Fund Name  | Department<br>Account No | Account No.<br>Description              | Budget<br>Amount | Cost         | Remaining<br>Budget |
|------------|--------------------------|---|------------------|--------------|---------------------|
| Major Road | 452.801000               | Construction –<br>Professional Services | \$0              | \$115,702.60 | (\$115,702.60)      |

## **RECOMMENDATION:**

The Department of Public Services recommends that the City Council approve the proposal for early preliminary engineering services from OHM Advisors for the Auburn Road Brooklands District in the not-to-exceed amount of \$115,702.60 and authorizes the Mayor to execute a contract on behalf of the City.

Attachment(s): OHM Advisors Individual Project Services Agreement 013

| APPROVALS:                                       | SIGNATURE | DATE |
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| Department Review                                |           |      |
| Department Director                              |           |      |
| Budget Content:<br>Finance Director              |           |      |
| Purchasing Process:<br>Supervisor of Procurement |           |      |
| Mayor  |           |      |
| Deputy Clerk                                     |           |      |

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