
MEMORANDUM

To: Mayor and City Council

From: Michael Smith, Public Works Director

Date: 3/11/2013

Subject: **Discussion of Design Contract for Mount Vernon/Vermack Intersection Improvement**

ITEM DESCRIPTION

Discussion of Design Contract for Mount Vernon/Vermack Intersection Improvement

BACKGROUND

The City's Comprehensive Transportation Plan, adopted in 2011, identified the improvement of the intersection of Mount Vernon Road and Vermack Road as a high priority project. Analysis of traffic counts taken in late 2010, indicated that the intersection created unacceptable delays (level of service E) during peak traffic periods at that time. The analysis also projected that delays would continue to increase and without improvement, the intersection would operate at the lowest level of service, F, by 2015.

At its January meeting the City Council directed staff to proceed with design work for the intersection. In February a request for proposals (RFP) was issued and eight proposals were received and reviewed by staff from Public Works and Community Development. Based on factors including project understanding, scope, schedule, experience and cost, Mulkey Engineers & Consultants was identified as the highest ranked firm for this project. A summary of the evaluation results is attached to this memo.

FUNDING

There is currently \$175,000 allocated in the budget to design intersection improvements. Accounting for Mulkey's proposed cost and an additional \$14,000 contingency, the remaining \$55,000 balance will be more than adequate to fund concept design for the Chamblee Dunwoody Road and Spalding Drive intersection as directed previously by Council.

RECOMMENDED ACTION

Staff respectfully requests that Council: (1) award Purchasing Contract 13-01 to Mulkey Engineers & Consultants; (2) authorize staff to provide funding for the contracts including a \$14,000 contingency; and (3) authorize the City Manager to execute the necessary documents following satisfactory review by legal counsel.

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	MS	CC	RK	Total	Total With	Proposed Cost
	Qualifications	Qualifications	Qualifications	Qualifications	Cost	
A&R Engineering, Inc.	70	74	66	210	240	\$ 29,900
Michael Baker Jr., Inc.	73	71	69	213	219	\$ 115,000
Gresham Smith and Partners	78	73	84	235	238	\$ 136,500
Moreland Altobelli Associates, Inc.	62	82	58	202	220	\$ 77,227
Mulkey Engineers & Consultants	74	84	84	242	251	\$ 106,000
Precision Planning, Inc.	67	69	74	210	222	\$ 92,500
Southeastern Engineering, Inc.	70	76	84	230	247	\$ 84,700
Vaughn and Melton Consulting Engineers, Inc.	47	63	86	196	217	\$ 57,500