

STAFF REPORT

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Date: October 11, 2022

To: Mayor Parris and City Council Members

From: Jeff Hogan, Senior Director - Development Services
Marissa Diaz, Senior Manager - Capital Programs

Subject: Task Order for Multi-Year Professional Services (Service Group Category 1 - Construction Management) Construction Management Services for the Installation of Fiber Optic Cabling Throughout the City (Reference CDP 23-04 – Race Communications)

Recommendation:

Approve Task Order No. 3 – Additional Authorization 1, with DMR Team, Inc., of Chatsworth, California, for services in accordance with the Multi-Year Professional Services Agreement, Service Group Category (SGC 1) – Construction Management and Inspection, for supplemental contract inspection services in the amount of \$615,600.00 with a 20% contingency; and authorize the City Manager, or his designee, to sign all documents.

Fiscal Impact:

\$738,720.00 (including 20% contingency); Sufficient funds are available in Account Numbers 101-4761-301 and 101-4761-308 to fund through Phase 2. A request for the remaining funding for Phase 3 and 4 will be made with the FY 2022-2023 mid-year budget adjustment and FY 2023-2024 budget, respectively.

Background:

Race Communications, under permit number ECR22-03799, has begun the task of installing fiber optic throughout the City of Lancaster. This is a four-phase project lasting (18) eighteen months. In August of 2022, we contracted for Phase 1 of the project in an effort to augment staff and meet the demand for inspection, so as not to delay the project.

Race will cover 100% of the cost for the Contract Inspector. We are phasing services and requesting funding in phases so that we can re-evaluate project progress, ensure payment by Race for work performed within each phase, and adjust as needed to manage the City cash flow between revenue and operating expenditures.

The City is supportive of the development of a fiber-optic network that will provide businesses and residential development throughout the City with inexpensive and reliable high-speed internet. By having new internet service providers in the community, our residents have more options to select from and providers have to offer the best services and prices to retain our residents as customers.

Race has made progress in their development of a fiber network, and by adding additional manpower, they will have the needed support to complete their project in a timely manner. Race anticipates that they will complete their fiber installation by Q4 of 2023.

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Attachment:

Revised Task Order No. 3