

## **MEMORANDUM**

**DATE:** July 28, 2022

TO: GEORGEANNE A. WHITE, City Manager

**FROM:** Scott L. Mozier, Director

Public Works Department

Aaron A. Aguirre, Director

Parks, After School, Recreation and Community Service Department

SUBJECT: UNIQUE QUALIFICATIONS OF BLAIR, CHURCH & FLYNN

CONSULTING ENGINEERS (BCF) TO PROVIDE PROFESSIONAL ENGINEERING SERVICES FOR THE DESIGN OF THE SOUTH PEACH

AVENUE PARK PHASE 1 IMPROVEMENT PROJECT (PROJECT)

Fresno Municipal Code Section 4-107(h) states the City of Fresno (City) shall follow an objective process in the selection of consultants "unless the City Manager determines in writing that emergency or exigent circumstances exist, or the consultant is uniquely qualified." The City is recommending approval of a Consultant Agreement with BCF to provide professional engineering services for the design of the South Peach Avenue Park Improvement Project (Project). The proposed Consultant Agreement is for \$601,000 with a contingency amount not to exceed \$60,000.

BCF is a professional engineering firm that provides Civil, Electrical, Structural and Landscape Architecture services. The scope of the proposed services under this contract generally include:

- Participation in community engagement meetings to define amenities to be included in the project
- Preparation of project entitlement documents and obtain City approval
- Preparation of construction documents, which build on the conceptual site plan that was previously developed
- Professional support during the bidding and construction phase of the project

This memo documents the findings that BCF is uniquely qualified to perform these services.

BCF is currently the City's consultant for the Peach Avenue Widening Project from Butler Avenue to Jensen Avenue. The scope of that project includes preparing offsite street improvement plans for the widening of South Peach Avenue from East Butler Avenue to East Jensen Avenue, which includes the full frontage of the South Peach Avenue Park The street improvement plans are nearly complete and are Improvement Project site. scheduled to advertise for construction later this year. BCF is intimately knowledgeable of this segment of South Peach Avenue and the Project's location. In addition to their knowledge of the project site, they have technical data, such as topographic survey data, site control information and existing utility information. This advanced knowledge of the site and surrounding area makes BCF uniquely qualified to perform the design work on the proposed project.

For all the reasons above, I find that BCF is uniquely qualified to perform the design work required.

**V**Approved

Denied

Georgeanne A. White, City Manager