

Council Communication

Office of the City Manager

Date: June 8, 2015

Agenda Item No.

Roll Call No. <u>15-897</u> Communication No. <u>15-295</u>

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P.E., City Engineer

AGENDA HEADING:

Approving Professional Services Agreement with Architecture by G.E. Wattier, Inc., d/b/a Slingshot Architecture for Skywalk 6D-7D Repairs, not to exceed \$39,510.

SYNOPSIS:

Recommend approval of Professional Services Agreement with Slingshot Architecture for professional services for Skywalk 6D-7D Repairs, not to exceed \$39,510.

FISCAL IMPACT:

Amount: \$39,510

Funding Source: 2015-2016 Capital Improvement Program (CIP), Page Street - 33, Skywalk System,

SW094, Tax Increment Financing (TIF) Bonds

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION:

Skywalk Bridge 6D-7D was heavily damaged during the fire at the Younkers Building in March of 2014. Under an emergency contract authorized by the City Manager, the bridge was stabilized and weather proofed. The Skywalk Bridge spans 7th Street, connecting the Hub Tower to the former Younkers Building. The loss of the Younkers Building severed several vital connections in the Skywalk system. On December 8, 2014, under Roll Call No. 14-1903, Council approved an Urban Renewal Development Agreement with 713 Walnut, LLC. One (1) of the requirements of this agreement was to require 713 Walnut, LLC to construct a temporary Skywalk corridor between the west end of Skywalk Bridge 6D-7D over 7th Street and the southern terminus of the Skywalk corridor in the Partnership Building at 700 Locust Street. The temporary corridor is being designed by Slingshot Architecture. To facilitate design, coordination, and schedule of this adjoining Skywalk Bridge, Slingshot Architecture was selected.

Staff has negotiated a Professional Services Agreement with Slingshot Architecture for the amount of \$38,510, and reimbursable costs not to exceed \$1,000 to provide design and construction phase services required for the Skywalk Bridge 6D-7D Repairs.

To complete this Skywalk connection the City must make permanent repairs to the Skywalk Bridge. Staff is working with the City's property insurance carrier and will be filing a claim to recover a portion of the cost of this repair.

PREVIOUS COUNCIL ACTION(S):

Date: December 8, 2014

Roll Call Number: 14-1903

Action: Urban Renewal Development Agreement with Wilkins Building, LLC for an \$18.7 million

historic restoration of 713 Walnut and approving Conceptual Development Plan. (Council

Communication No. 14-583) Moved by Hensley to adopt. Motion Carried 7-0.

BOARD/COMMISSION ACTION(S): NONE

ANTICIPATED ACTIONS AND FUTURE COMMITMENTS:

Normal Council actions for Professional Services Agreement.

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