

MEMORANDUM

TO: Claire Powell, City Manager

FROM: David Salmon, P.E., City Engineer

VIA: Jim Proce, ICMA-CM, Assistant City Manager

DATE: April 15, 2024

SUBJECT: Approval of a Transportation Consultation Services Agreement with Innovative Transportation Solutions, Inc. in the Amount of \$90,000; and Authorization for the City Manager, or Her Designee, to Execute the Agreement.

BACKGROUND

Innovative Transportation Solutions, Inc. (ITS, Inc.) has been providing consultation services on a variety of transportation issues for the City of Lewisville since March 2000. The City Council last approved a one-year contract with ITS, Inc., in the amount of \$90,000 in April 2023 to provide a variety of services including assisting staff in expediting timelines and funding issues with TxDOT through the NCTCOG on multiple state routes, local thoroughfares, and Old Town streets within the city. In addition, Innovative Transportation Solutions has assisted with capital funding coordination between the City and Denton County and has advocated with TxDOT for the City on aesthetic and technical issues related to the pending and ongoing I-35 interchange projects.

ANALYSIS

A variety of transportation related projects are still ongoing within the City of Lewisville that require outside consultant services. ITS, Inc. has assisted the City and continues to assist with the NCTCOG driven transportation calls for projects, Transportation Improvement Plan modifications, general project coordination between the two entities, assisting with coordination between TxDOT and the City on various needs associated with on-system roadways. ITS, Inc. has previously worked successfully on the inclusion of several key City projects in Denton County TRIP-08 bond program and most recently in the TRIP-22 bond program. ITS, Inc. continues to assist City staff coordinate with the NCTCOG on issues related to Old Town Sustainable Development projects and with TxDOT on the next phase of I-35 construction and other local transportation issues. ITS, Inc. was instrumental in convincing TxDOT to fund the design and construction of the Mill Street/Business 121 intersection as well as formulating a solution for Edmonds Lane at Main Street relative to the I-35E/Main Street Bridge. ITS, Inc. has also advocated on behalf of the City on specific design needs for the pending and ongoing I-35 interchange construction.

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In the upcoming year, ITS, Inc. will continue working with the NCTCOG staff to secure funding, especially for Corporate Drive, coordination with NCTCOG staff regarding ongoing Old Town Sustainable Development projects, assist City staff with NCTCOG environmental documents and TIP modifications related to shifting funds between segments of Corporate Drive and coordination of City interests regarding Denton County funding.

ITS, Inc. is seeking approval of this annual contract in the amount of \$90,000. Funding is available in the Engineering Department General Operating Budget Accounts.

CITY STAFF'S RECOMMENDATION

That the City Council approve the agreement and authorize the City Manager, or her designee, to execute the agreement as set forth in the caption above.