

## MEMORANDUM

**TO:** Claire Powell, City Manager

**FROM:** Stacie Anaya, Director of Parks and Recreation

**DATE:** July 6, 2026

**SUBJECT:** **Approval of a Bid Award for DCTA Trail Connection Segment A to Garret Shields Infrastructure, LLC, in the Amount of \$2,240,244.04 and Authorization for the City Manager, or Her Designee, to Execute the Agreement.**

### **BACKGROUND**

In 2018, the City began working with the North Central Texas Council of Governments (NCTCOG), DCTA, Denton and Dallas Counties, the City of Carrollton, and the City of Coppell to plan a trail network connecting all three cities. This trail extension is part of the Regional Veloweb in the NCTCOG Mobility 2045 Plan. The project plan developed through this partnership addresses the extension of the existing DCTA Rail Trail, which terminates at Hebron Station to Carrollton's Frankford Station and to meet Coppell's Denton Creek Trail. The City of Lewisville will be the first of the cities to start design and construction on one of the city's trail segments, specifically Trail A, which is a 12-foot-wide multi-use path extending to Lewisville's southern boundary.

In 2021, the City of Lewisville was awarded a grant of \$2,400,000 through TxDOT's Congestion Mitigation Air Quality Improvement Program (CMAQI) to construct the final segment of the DCTA A-train Rail Trail south of the Hebron Station to the city limits of Carrollton. An Advanced Funding Agreement (AFA) was approved in April 2023 and updated in November 2023. A combination of Transportation Development Credits (TDC) and DCTA Transportation Reinvestment Program (TRiP) funds provided the balance of funding for design and construction of the project. The total project cost with design and construction is \$2,697,744.04.

Building on the work done for development of the concept plan for the trail network, the City contracted with Halff Associates to design the trail segment south of Hebron Station. Design of the trail was more challenging than originally anticipated because of easements that were required from the Dallas Area Regional Transit (DART) and the realignment of Carrollton's portion of the trail. Carrollton's realignment of their portion of the trail was due to an approval of a bond for TC Rice Nature Park. The new alignment preserves more trees and will provide a better experience for park and trail users.

Design of the trail was completed in January 2026 and submitted to TxDOT for review and approval per the AFA. Approval of the plans was received from TxDOT in April 2026. Specifications were created in accordance with Texas Local Government Code Chapter 252.043.

### **ANALYSIS**

On February 26, 2026, fourteen (14) bids were received and opened for the DCTA Trail Connection Segment A. Three (3) bids were responsive, and eleven (11) were deemed non-responsive. Responsive Bids ranged from a low bid of \$2,133,565.75 to a high bid of \$2,659,794.90. After evaluating all bids received, Garret Shields Infrastructure, LLC is recommended for award as the lowest, responsive, responsible bidder. Their base bid is \$2,133,565.75, plus a five (5) percent contingency of \$106,678.29, for a total amount of \$2,240,244.04. Construction for this project will take approximately nine (9) months from the issuance of the Notice to Proceed. Funding for the contract is included in the DCTA Trail Capital Project.

### **CITY STAFF'S RECOMMENDATION**

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