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ISSUE: Volkert Associates Professional Services Proposal for School Zone Improvements including the construction of a new box culvert at the intersection of West 1st St & West 20th Ave and a right-turn lane onto East 16th Ave along Hwy 180 to address school traffic congestion.

RECOMMENDATION: Select Volkert from ALDOT's Prequalified Engineers list and accept their proposal to provide survey, ALDOT/environmental permitting, engineering, geotechnical testing and inspection services in an amount not to exceed \$118,900.00.

BACKGROUND: The City School Board and City School Superintendent recently announced transportation improvements to the Gulf Shores City School campus. To further enhance these improvements, the City will be addressing offsite traffic congestion at West 1st St. & West 20th Ave and East 16th Ave & Hwy 180. Traffic congestion at the intersection of West 1st St. & West 20th Ave will be improved by the installation of a new box culvert and converting West 1st St to a one-way boulevard. A new right-turn lane for the City Elementary School on Hwy 180 will address parents having to wait on the shoulder of the road to drop-off/pickup their children.

PREVIOUS COUNCIL ACTION: Authorize a Line of Credit for School Improvements.

BUDGET IMPLICATIONS: The funding for these professional services will be provided through the City's line of credit for City School Improvements.

RELATED ISSUES: Creation of City School System, Authorization of a Line of Credit

ATTACHMENTS:

- Volkert Proposal

DEPARTMENT: Public Works General Services

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