



DATE: September 8, 2020

ISSUE: Amend ArchitectureWorks, LLP Contract for the RESTORE-funded Gulf Coast Center for Ecotourism & Sustainability Project to include additional design services identified as necessary through the planning and schematic design phases.

RECOMMENDATION: Authorize the mayor to amend the City's contract for engineering and design services with ArchitectureWorks for the Gulf Coast Center for Ecotourism & Sustainability Project to add an amount **not to exceed \$65,000**. The contract terms and this amendment have been reviewed and approved by ADCNR, and **this cost is 100% reimbursable as part of the City's RESTORE ADCNR Sub-award Grant Agreement M1A10-GSAE**.

BACKGROUND: The City was awarded \$9.7M in RESTORE funding for the Gulf Coast Center for Ecotourism & Sustainability Project as part of the Alabama Gulf Coast Recovery Council's Multi-year Implementation Plan. Phase I (\$1,020,723) of the grant agreement is for planning, engineering, and design services for the project.

In 2019 the City procured professional services from Architecture Works, LLP for engineering and design for \$949,320. After several stakeholder design workshops as part of the preliminary planning and schematic design phases, it was determined that additional design services in the amount of \$65,000 would be necessary to meet the project goals. This funding is budgeted in Phase I of the grant agreement, and ADCNR has reviewed and approved the amendment as presented.

PREVIOUS COUNCIL ACTION: Council passed resolution 6148-19 on June 10, 2019 authorizing execution of Phase I of the grant agreement for \$1,020,723. Council passed resolution 6195-19 on October 14, 2019 authorizing execution of the professional services contract with Architecture Works, LLP in an amount not to exceed \$950,000.

BUDGET IMPLICATIONS: \$800,000 was budgeted in FY2020 for this project, and \$269,000 was spent on preliminary planning and schematic design. \$214,320 will be budgeted in FY2021 as a receivable to cover the total cost of design and engineering (\$1,014,320) for the project. **Costs for this project will be 100% reimbursed through the RESTORE grant.**

RELATED ISSUES: None

ATTACHMENTS: None

DEPARTMENT: Executive, Public Works

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