

Great Rivers Greenway Tuesday, January 10, 2023 Board Meeting

Great Rivers Greenway District Board of Directors Monthly Meeting District Office 3745 Foundry Way, Suite 253, St. Louis, MO 63110 IMMEDIATELY PROCEEDING 11:30am ANNUAL MEETING

1. OPENING OF MEETING

A. CALL TO ORDER

Per Bylaws Article IV. Section 8: Acceptance of participation via conference call or videoconference is acceptable by a majority of the members present. Action item to approve Board Member(s) participation via conference call

B. OPEN TIME

Meeting minutes and agendas from previous meetings can be found on the website: www.greatriversgreenway.org.

You are welcome to join us!

Please click the link below to join the webinar:

https://us02web.zoom.us/j/89322843100

Or One tap mobile :

US: +13092053325,,89322843100# or +13126266799,,89322843100# Or Telephone:

Dial(for higher quality, dial a number based on your current location): US: +1 309 205 3325 or +1 312 626 6799 or +1 646 931 3860 or +1 929 205 6099 or +1 301 715 8592 or +1 305 224 1968 or +1 386 347

5053 or +1 507 473 4847 or +1 564 217 2000 or +1 669 444 9171 or +1 669 900 6833 or +1 689 278 1000 or +1 719 359 4580 or +1 253 205 0468 or +1 253 215 8782 or +1 346 248 7799 or +1 360 209 5623 Webinar ID: 893 2284 3100

International numbers

available: https://us02web.zoom.us/u/keqRw6pAkh

Or an H.323/SIP room system: H.323: 162.255.37.11 (US West) 162.255.36.11 (US East) 115.114.131.7 (India Mumbai) 115.114.115.7 (India Hyderabad) 213.19.144.110 (Amsterdam Netherlands) 213.244.140.110 (Germany) 103.122.166.55 (Australia Svdnev) 103.122.167.55 (Australia Melbourne) 149.137.40.110 (Singapore) 64.211.144.160 (Brazil) 149.137.68.253 (Mexico) 69.174.57.160 (Canada Toronto) 65.39.152.160 (Canada Vancouver) 207.226.132.110 (Japan Tokyo) 149.137.24.110 (Japan Osaka) Meeting ID: 893 2284 3100 SIP: 89322843100@zoomcrc.com

COVID protocol: Wearing of masks and/or social distancing in our offices should be done in compliance with City of St. Louis and/or Federal recommendations. Protocols are subject to change. Please see the Center for Disease Control for

guidance https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus As of this posting, mask wearing, and social distancing are optional.

Please note that the option to attend the meetings virtually is being provided as a convenience to the public and cannot be guaranteed. Virtual attendance may be unavailable for a variety of reasons, including, but not limited to, technical failures or limitations.

If you need any specific accessibility arrangements to be able to attend and/or fully participate, please contact Anne Milford at 314-932-4917 or <u>amilford@grgstl.org</u>.

News media wishing to learn more about Great Rivers Greenway or any items on the agenda can contact Anne Milford at 314-932-4917 or <u>amilford@grgstl.org</u>

Persons wishing to speak to the Monthly Board of Directors meeting may do so:

- In person: Sign up prior to the meeting or submitting written questions in advance to Barbara Bernthal via email <u>bbernthal@grgstl.org</u> OR sign in upon arrival at the front desk.
- Virtual: Fill out the form on the website <u>https://greatriversgreenway.org/public-meeting-open-</u> <u>time-signup/</u> by 5pm the day before the meeting to participate digitally

Great Rivers Greenway reserves the right to implement a time limit or restrict content to agenda items if needed.

C. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

D. APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES

TO APPROVE THE MINUTES AS MAY BE CORRECTED

View Minutes for Dec 13, 2022 - Board Meeting

2. PETITIONS AND COMMUNICATIONS

A. Request -Timothy Lowery, Mayor, City of Florissant extension of the Sunset Greenway

P&C City of Florissant - Extension of Sunset Greenway.pdf (179 KB)

3. REPORT(s) OF THE CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER: SUSAN TRAUTMAN

A. CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER

CEO report Great Rivers Greenway 2023.pdf (2,034 KB)

B. NOTICE OF CONTRACTS EXECUTED

<u>GRG Executed Contracts Notice December 2022.pdf (41 KB)</u>

C. 4th QUARTER CONSTRUCTION REPORT

December 2022 GRG Quarterly Construction Report.pdf (153 KB)

4. APPROVAL OF CONTRACTS - MULTIPLE REVENUE STREAMS

A. That the Board adopt Resolution 2023.01 approving a contract not to exceed \$50,000 with UHY Advisors MO, Inc. in connection with Accounting and Internal Audit Services and authorizing other actions as necessary to effectuate the same. - Mike Carson

WHERE:

SUBPROJECT CODE	GREENWAY	SEGMENT	JURISDICTION(S)
999	Regional	n/a	All

<u>WHO:</u>

STAFF	CONTRACTOR(S), VENDOR(S), PARTNER(S)	TYPE OF SERVICES/AGREEMENT
Mike Carson	UHY Advisors MU Inc	Accounting and Internal Audit Services

FIRST CONTRACT WITH THIS ENTITY? (YES OR NO)	WHAT ARE THE DBE GOALS FOR THIS PROJECT?	DBE OR ON A	IF NOT REGISTERED, DOES THEIR OWNERSHIP REFLECT WOMEN OR MINORITIES? (PLEASE EXPLAIN)
NO	No	No	

PLEASE LIST ANY SUBCONTRACTORS BY NAME, % OF CONTRACT RECEIVED AND DBE STATUS	DOES THIS PROJECT HAVE WORKFORCE GOALS?
n/a	n/a

PROCUREMENT TYPE: RFQ, RFP, BID, VENDOR'S LIST, SOLE SOURCE, OTHER		IF A CONTRACT RENEWAL, HOW MANY YEARS HAVE PASSED AND ARE LEFT?	# OF PROCUREMENT RESPONSES:
RFP	November 2022		2

PROCUREMENT RESULTS DETAIL (BID RESULTS, SUMMARY OF INTERVIEWS, ETC)

Staff issued an RFP for Accounting and Internal Audit Services in November 2022 for up to five (5) years beginning in 2023. Proposals were received from UHY Advisors Mo, Inc. (UHY) and CliftonLarsonAllen LLP. Both proposals were reviewed by staff and after follow up discussions, it is staff's recommendation that the District contract with UHY for the first year of a potentially five (5) year contract, with hourly rates for 2023 at \$85 for bookkeeping services and \$140 for accounting services.

WHAT:

ACTION TYPE	AMOUNT OF REQUEST	CURRENT BUDGETED FUNDS AVAILABLE	AMENDMENTS AND/OR SOURCES
Approval of Contract	\$50,000	\$50,000 (2023 budget)	

OUTSIDE RESOURCES, GRANTS OR IN-KIND SERVICES

WHEN:

BUDGET YEAR	CURRENT PHASE OF PROJECT	NEXT MILESTONE
2023		

WHY AND/OR HOW:

After the last extension of the District's accounting and internal audit services with UHY Advisers MO, Inc. (UHY) in 2021 for 2022 services, the procurement of accounting and internal audit services which began in 2018 expired. Accordingly, in November 2022, staff issued a Request for Proposal for Accounting and Internal Audit Services. Two (2) proposals were received; one each from UHY and CliftonLarsonAllen LLP (CLA). UHY provided two (2) rates to cover all staff assigned to our accounts averaging \$87 and \$142 over five (5) years. CLA quoted five (5) rates averaging \$88 to \$316 over the same five (5) years. While the service hours needed from the higher range staff do not occur often, we have used the services of principals at UHY in the past and were not charged more than their second tier rate. We have received very good service from UHY in the past; they have a deep understanding of the District and its accounting activities; and they have a diverse and knowledgeable staff who can assist with our various accounting needs. We believe that UHY will continue to serve us well in the coming years.

Staff recommends that the Board authorize the CEO to enter into a contract for Accounting and Internal Audit Services with UHY and other actions as necessary to effectuate the same.

RESOLUTION #	DESCRIPTION
2022.88	2023 Great Rivers Greenway Operating Budget
2021.102	2022 UHY Contract Renewal

RELEVANT RESOLUTIONS:

A RESOLUTION APPROVING A CONTRACT NOT TO EXCEED \$50,000 WITH UHY ADVISORS MO, INC. IN CONNECTION WITH ACCOUNTING AND INTERNAL AUDIT SERVICES AND AUTHORIZING OTHER ACTIONS AS NECESSARY TO EFFECTUATE THE SAME.

WHEREAS, the Metropolitan Park and Recreation District d/b/a The Great Rivers Greenway District (the "District") is a metropolitan park and recreation district authorized under Section 67.1700 to 67.1769 of the Revised Statutes of Missouri, as amended (the "District Act");

WHEREAS, pursuant to the Clean Water, Safe Parks, and Community Trails Initiative ("Proposition C"), the qualified voters of St. Louis County, St. Charles County, and St. Louis City approved the creation of the District;

WHEREAS, the District was formed to undertake the development, operation and maintenance of a public system of interconnecting trails and parks throughout the areas and counties comprising the District (the "District's Mission");

WHEREAS, in furtherance of the District's Mission, and in accordance with the Bylaws of the District, the District adopted "Building the River Ring" as the Regional Plan for the District, and which contains the comprehensive plan of the District, its existing and proposed interconnecting greenway, park and trail projects, and any proposed land acquisitions (the "River Ring Regional Plan");

WHEREAS, pursuant to the approval of the Safe and Accessible Arch and Public Parks Initiative ("Proposition C") and Section 67.1712.1 of the District Act, the governing bodies of St. Louis County, St. Charles County and St. Louis City imposed a one-tenth of one cent sales tax for the purpose of funding the creation, operation and maintenance of the portion of the District;

WHEREAS, the 2023 Great Rivers Greenway Operating Budget was approved by the District pursuant to Resolution 2022.88;

WHEREAS, the 2023 Great Rivers Greenway Operating Budget includes line items regarding Accounting Fees for the District;

WHEREAS, UHY Advisors Mo, Inc. was found to be qualified and whose proposal was in conformance with the requirements of the District Act (the "Proposal");

WHEREAS, the District desires to (i) authorize the Chief Executive Officer to negotiate and enter into a contract with UHY Advisors MO, Inc. at the hourly rates of \$85 for bookkeeping services and \$140 for accounting services for one (1) year until December 31, 2023 and take any actions necessary or appropriate to effectuate the same; and

WHEREAS, at a meeting of the Board of Directors of the District (the "Board"), convened at 11:30 am, on January 10th, 2023, at the District Offices at 3745 Foundry Way, Suite 253, St. Louis, Missouri, at which was present a quorum of the Board, the Board took the action further described herein.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE METROPOLITAN PARK AND RECREATION DISTRICT D/B/A THE GREAT RIVERS GREENWAY DISTRICT AS FOLLOWS:

- 1. The Board authorizes the Chief Executive Officer to execute a one-year contract with UHY Advisors MO, Inc. at the hourly rates of \$85 for bookkeeping services and \$140 for accounting services.
- 2. The Board authorizes the Chief Executive Officer or her designees to take such further action, and execute such other documents, certificates and instruments as may be necessary or desirable to carry out and comply with the intent of this Resolution.
- 3.All actions heretofore taken by the officers, agents, and employees of the District related to the transactions contemplated by this Resolution are hereby ratified and confirmed.
- 4. The portions of this Resolution shall be severable. In the event that any portion of this Resolution is found by a court of competent jurisdiction to be invalid, the remaining portions of this Resolution are valid, unless the court finds the valid portions of this Resolution are so essential and inseparably connected with and dependent upon the void portion that it cannot be presumed that the Board would have enacted the valid portions without the invalid ones, or unless the court finds that the valid portions standing alone are incomplete and are incapable of being executed in accordance with the legislative intent.

5. This Resolution shall be in full force and effect immediately from and after its adoption as provided by law.

ADOPTED this 10th day of January, 2023. METROPOLITAN PARK AND RECREATION DISTRICT D/B/A THE GREAT RIVERS GREENWAY DISTRICT

, President

ATTEST:

, Secretary

<u>Vote:</u> Aye: Nay: Abstain: Absent: Not Present: 5. APPROVAL OF CONTRACTS - GRG 1/10TH REVENUE STREAM A. That the Board adopt Resolution 2023.02 approving a Contract Amendment not to exceed \$150,000 with Civil Design, Inc. in connection with Data and Asset Management Services and authorizing other actions as necessary to effectuate the same. - Mark Vogl

WHERE:

SUBPROJECT CODE	GREENWAY	SEGMENT	JURISDICTION(S)
001	n/a	n/a	St. Louis City, St. Louis County, St. Charles County

<u>WHO:</u>

STAFF	CONTRACTOR(S), VENDOR(S), PARTNER(S)	TYPE OF SERVICES/AGREEMENT
	Civil Design, Inc. with AMPM Consulting, LLC and Econsult Solutions, Inc.	Contract Amendment

FIRST CONTRACT WITH THIS ENTITY?		SUB CONTRACTOR MBE/WBE %	DESCRIBE PROCUREMENT
No	WBE	Civil Design, Inc. (WBE) 66% AMPM Consulting, LLC 19% Econsult Solutions, Inc. 15%	Request for Qualifications in 2020; 9 team responses; 3 teams shortlisted and interviewed; Selection of Civil Design, Inc. team through 2024.

WHAT: CURRENT AMOUNT ACTION BUDGETED AMENDMENTS AND/OR OF TYPE FUNDS REQUEST SOURCES AVAILABLE Contract \$150,000 Amendment \$150,000 n/a

OUTSIDE RESOURCES, GRANTS OR IN-KI	ND SERVICES

n/a

WHEN:

BUDGET YEAR	CURRENT PHASE OF PROJECT	NEXT MILESTONE
2023	n/a	n/a

WHY AND/OR HOW:

In 2021, Great Rivers Greenway (GRG) executed a contract with Civil Design, Inc. (CDI) that integrated professional services for Geographic Information Systems (GIS) database management with the inventory and asset management platform under the title of "Data and Asset Management Services". This contract efficiently incorporated the database needs of the Build and Sustain teams and created tools to better manage the planning, design, construction and care of future and existing greenways. CDI's scope of work was expanded in 2022 to continue to provide these essential services for the Build and Sustain teams, provide additional support for the Promote team, and to conduct post-construction asset data collection. GRG staff has been very satisfied with the services the CDI team has provided.

As part of the Regional Plan Update, staff had discussions with the CDI team on various implementation activities as part of the 2023 scope of work. Items noted with an "*" assist staff in regional plan update implementation activities.

Through this resolution, staff recommends amending the contract for 2023 Data and Asset Management Services to conduct the following tasks:

1. Build Team Support Services: Provide support for GRG's Build Team to assist in the planning, creating, and building of the greenways system using GIS mapping and data management workflows, processes, analysis, tools, and technology. Specific scope of work items include:

- Develop and implement project metrics and "Dora" evaluation and prioritization scorecard *
- Assist with application of project metrics and evaluation for the annual Capital Improvements Plan *
- Support for greenway projects and budget map production

2. Sustain Team Support Services: Provide support for GRG's Sustain Team to help facilitate the operation, maintenance, and care of the greenways and associated assets using GIS mapping and data management workflows, processes, analysis, tools, and technology. Specific scope of work items include the following:

- Support maintenance management plan data population for future greenway projects *
- Develop a digital tracking and analysis dashboard for maintenance management plan
- Leverage maintenance management plan costs for lifecycle cost analysis
- Update bridge inspection workflow, tracking and reporting
- Incorporate land and property management feature in asset database

3. Promote Team Support Services: Provide support for GRG's Promote Team to assist in communicating greenway projects, programs, and events for both the public and partners utilizing GIS mapping and data management workflows, processes, analysis, tools, and technology. Specific scope of work items include the following:

• Expand public mapping application tools and functionality for the GRG website

• Update public and partner digital GIS portal

4. GIS Database and Staff Training Support: Provide support to create, update, and maintain the GIS mapping and database infrastructure for the overall GRG Organization helping facilitate the communication, planning, creation, and care of the greenway system. Specific scope of work items include the following:

- GIS Database management and administration
- GIS software "AGO" organizational account administration
- Online mapping and application administration

As in the previous contract, CDI's consultant team has a similar structure with the following roles and responsibilities:

- CDI, a registered WBE, will continue to serve as the project prime consultant for GRG, providing oversight for the team, and will lead the GIS, Asset and Database management elements of the project.
- AMPM Consulting, LLC will serve as the process and workflow lead for the project, providing support and insight in connected GIS and asset data to existing GRG platforms, such as Sciforma (Dora) and Abilia, etc.
- Econsult Services, Inc. will serve as the effective measures lead for the project, supporting the team and GRG transition by implementing the metrics from the Regional Plan Update into the GIS and Sciforma databases.

The request for qualifications for this contract established a procurement period through the end of 2024. A future contact for 2024 services will be brought to the board late next year.

RESOLUTION #	DESCRIPTION	
2020.105	Approval of a Contract for Data and Asset Management Services with Civil Design, Inc.	
2021.109 Approval of a Contract Amendment for Data A Collection Services with Civil Design, Inc.		
2022.07	Approval of a Contract Amendment for Data and Asset Management Services with Civil Design, Inc.	

RELEVANT RESOLUTIONS:

A RESOLUTION APPROVING A CONTRACT AMENDMENT NOT TO EXCEED \$150,000 WITH CIVIL DESIGN. INC. IN CONNECTION WITH DATA AND ASSET MANAGEMENT SERVICES AND AUTHORIZING ACTIONS AS NECESSARY OTHER TO EFFECTUATE THE SAME.

WHEREAS, the Metropolitan Park and Recreation District d/b/a The Great Rivers Greenway District (the "District") is a metropolitan park and recreation district authorized under Section 67.1700 to 67.1769 of the Revised Statutes of Missouri, as amended (the "District Act");

WHEREAS, pursuant to the Clean Water, Safe Parks, and Community Trails Initiative ("Proposition C"), the qualified voters of St. Louis County, St. Charles County, and St. Louis City approved the creation of the District;

WHEREAS, the District was formed to undertake the development, operation and maintenance of a public system of interconnecting trails and parks throughout the areas and counties comprising the District (the "District's Mission");

WHEREAS, in furtherance of the District's Mission, and in accordance with the Bylaws of the District, the District adopted "Building the River Ring" as the Regional Plan for the District, and which contains the comprehensive plan of the District, its existing and proposed interconnecting greenway, park and trail projects, and any proposed land acquisitions (the "River Ring Regional Plan");

WHEREAS, pursuant to the approval of Proposition C and Section 67.1712.1 of the District Act, the governing bodies of St. Louis County, St. Charles County, and St. Louis City imposed a one-tenth of one cent sales tax for the purpose of funding the creation, operation and maintenance of the District;

WHEREAS, the 2023 GRG 1/10 Capital Budget was approved by the District pursuant to Resolution 2022.89;

WHEREAS, the 2023 GRG 1/10 Capital Budget included line item 001 for the Project;

WHEREAS, pursuant to Resolutions 2020.105, 2021.109 and 2022.07, the District authorized the Chief Executive Officer to negotiate and enter into a contract with Civil Design, Inc. for data and asset management services, and the District subsequently entered into a contract with Civil Design, Inc.;

WHEREAS, the District desires to enter into a contract amendment with Civil Design, Inc. in order to amend amend the scope of work, period of service and compensation under the existing contract;

WHEREAS, the District desires to (i) authorize the Chief Executive Officer to negotiate and enter into a contract amendment with Civil Design, Inc.; and (ii) take any actions necessary or appropriate to effectuate the same; and

WHEREAS, at a meeting of the Board of Directors of the District (the "Board"), convened at 11:30 am, on January 10, 2023, at the District Offices at 3745 Foundry Way, St. Louis, Missouri, at which was present a quorum of the Board, the Board took the action further described herein.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE METROPOLITAN PARK AND RECREATION DISTRICT D/B/A THE GREAT RIVERS GREENWAY DISTRICT AS FOLLOWS

- 1. The Board authorizes the Chief Executive Officer to negotiate and enter into a contract amendment with Civil Design, Inc. in an amount not to exceed \$150,000.
- 2. The Board authorizes the Chief Executive Officer or her designees to take such further action, and execute such other documents, certificates and instruments as may be necessary or desirable to carry out and comply with the intent of this Resolution.
- 3. All actions heretofore taken by the officers, agents, and employees of the District related to the transactions contemplated by this Resolution are hereby ratified and confirmed.

- 4. The portions of this Resolution shall be severable. In the event that any portion of this Resolution is found by a court of competent jurisdiction to be invalid, the remaining portions of this Resolution are valid, unless the court finds the valid portions of this Resolution are so essential and inseparably connected with and dependent upon the void portion that it cannot be presumed that the Board would have enacted the valid portions without the invalid ones, or unless the court finds that the valid portions standing alone are incomplete and are incapable of being executed in accordance with the legislative intent.
- 5. This Resolution shall be in full force and effect immediately from and after its adoption as provided by law.

ADOPTED this 10th day of January, 2023.

METROPOLITAN PARK AND RECREATION DISTRICT D/B/A THE GREAT RIVERS GREENWAY DISTRICT

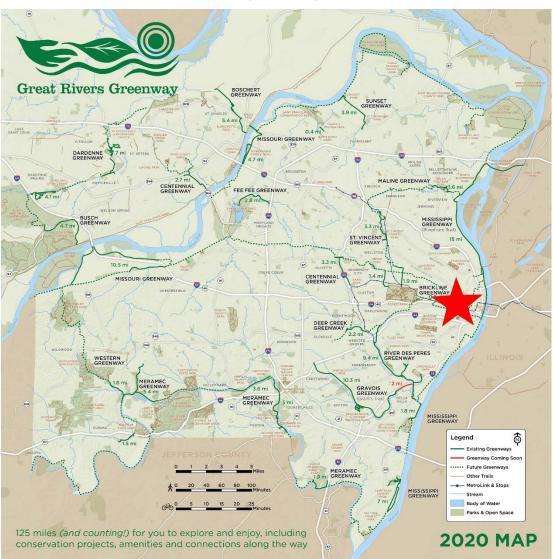
ATTEST:

(Insert Name), President

(Insert Name), Secretary

<u>Vote:</u>

Aye: _____ Nay: _____ Abstain: _____ Absent: _____ Not Present: _____ 6. APPROVAL OF CONTRACTS - GRG 3/16TH REVENUE STREAM A. That the Board adopt Resolution 2023.03 approving applications to the East-West Gateway Council of Governments for the Surface Transportation Program-Suballocated (STP-S) and Congestion Mitigation and Air Quality (CMAQ) program in connection with Brickline Greenway and pledge local matching funds, subject to future appropriation and authorizing other actions as necessary to effectuate the same. - Lonny Boring



WHERE:

SUBPROJECT CODE	GREENWAY	SEGMENT	JURISDICTION(S)
3081	Brickline	North Connector	City of St. Louis

<u>WHO:</u>

STAFF	CONTRACTOR(S), VENDOR(S), PARTNER(S)	TYPE OF SERVICES/AGREEMENT	
Lonny Boring	East-West Gateway Council of Governments	Federal Transportation Grant Applications	

FIRST CONTRACT WITH THIS ENTITY? (YES OR NO)	WHAT ARE THE DBE GOALS FOR THIS	DBE OR ON A DBE LIST? LIST	IF NOT REGISTERED, DOES THEIR OWNERSHIP REFLECT WOMEN OR MINORITIES? (PLEASE EXPLAIN)
N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A

PLEASE LIST ANY SUBCONTRACTORS BY NAME, % OF CONTRACT RECEIVED AND DBE STATUS	DOES THIS PROJECT HAVE WORKFORCE GOALS?
N/A	N/A

	PROCUREMENT	, , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , ,	# OF PROCUREMENT RESPONSES:
N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A

PROCUREMENT RESULTS DETAIL (BID RESULTS, SUMMARY OF INTERVIEWS, ETC)

N/A

WHAT:

ACTION TYPE	AMOUNT OF REQUEST	CURRENT BUDGETED FUNDS AVAILABLE	AMENDMENTS AND/OR SOURCES
Grant Applications	Application Fee plus \$3.62 million for local matching funds	\$1,731,339 for the Application Fee Local matching funds are subject to future appropriation by the Board	N/A

OUTSIDE RESOURCES, GRANTS OR IN-KIND SERVICES

N/A

WHEN:

BUDGET YEAR	CURRENT PHASE OF PROJECT	NEXT MILESTONE
2023	Design	Construction

The East-West Gateway Council of Governments has released federal transportation grant applications for the Surface Transportation Program - Suballocated (STP-S) and the Congestion Mitigation and Air Quality (CMAQ) grant programs. The programs are administered by the Federal Highway Administration (FHWA) and provide funding used by states and localities for transportation improvement projects. Approximately \$87 million is available for this grant round. Programs are highly competitive but provide an opportunity to leverage local matching funds with federal transportation funds. Projects may leverage a maximum of 80% of federal funds and require a minimum 20% local match. Projects which include greater than 20% local matching funds typically score higher in the review process. Projects that are selected by East-West Gateway Council of Governments would be eligible for construction activities starting in FHWA fiscal year 2027 (October 2026).

Great Rivers Greenway (GRG) was the direct recipient of a \$15 million federal RAISE (Rebuilding American Infrastructure with Sustainability and Equity) grant in November 2021 for the Brickline Greenway: North Connector. The Project location map below depicts the extent of the RAISE Grant (Magenta). The project includes greenway construction, landscape improvements, and a roadway reconfiguration to improve pedestrian safety on Grand Blvd, one of the deadliest corridors in the nation. Improvements were only funded for the greenway-side of the corridor (the west side of Grand Blvd) as GRG's strategy on the RAISE grant application was to extend the greenway as far south as possible with improvements only on the greenway side of the roadways.

In summer 2022, GRG began discussions with the City of St. Louis for options to expand improvements to the non-greenway side of the corridor. In numerous public meetings and engagements, GRG heard from the community that improvements on the east side of Grand Blvd are just as important in order to transform Grand Blvd and help economic development and neighborhood improvement efforts. Discussions with the City resulted in exploring options to fund improvements outside of the RAISE grant project and in mid to late November, a possible strategy was vetted.

The SmithGroup team (GRG's consultants working on the RAISE grant greenway project) identified approximately \$11.5 million in construction-related improvements needed, for the east side of Grand Blvd and one block of Cass Avenue. The City of St. Louis recommended that the STP-S and CMAQ programs were potential funding opportunities. In response, the City will submit two applications (STP-S and CMAQ) and complete steps to allocate \$2 million from American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) funds needed for both applications. These funds would become part of the local matching funds needed for the STP-S and CMAQ applications. GRG has negotiated an additional scope of work for a fee of \$55,000 under an existing contract with the SmithGroup team for the necessary preliminary project design work and preparation of both applications. Some preliminary design work is needed for the east side of Grand in order to prepare the details needed for the applications.

The STP-S and CMAQ programs are integral to the effort, but funding would require the greenway (RAISE) and non-greenway (STP-S/CMAQ) projects to be separate and independent. The projects would have separate design and permitting requirements and be bid and built under separate contracts. Standalone plans, specifications and estimates are needed. Thus, including estimated professional fees, the total project cost for the non-greenway (STP-S/CMAQ) projects is \$14.5 million (\$11.5 million in construction and \$3 million in professional services, permits, etc.). Full analysis is not yet complete, but total federal funds in the range of \$9 million to \$10.5 million would be sought in the STP-S and CMAQ applications. The City ARPA funds of \$2 million result in a local funding gap of between \$2 million and \$3.62 million (see table below but disregard \$3,500,000).

Estimated Total Project Cost	\$14,500,000		
Federal Funding Range	\$9,000,000 - \$10,500,000		
ARPA Funds	\$2,000,000		
Local Match Gap Range	\$3,500,000 - \$2,000,000		

City of St. Louis and GRG staff are exploring multiple options to fund the gap in local match funding including the following: St. Louis Development Corporation ARPA funds, private donations, GRG revenues, etc. Specific details will be finalized in January but GRG staff is seeking flexibility from the GRG Board in finalizing the local match amounts. An update to the Board will be provided once details are finalized. This board action will authorize staff to work with the City which will serve as the applicant for both grants. It is anticipated that GRG will need to provide letters of support as well as commit to the local match needed beyond the \$2 million already identified by the City. GRG staff will work diligently to find local matching sources to reduce GRG's funds being used as part of the needed matching funds. The application fees for both applications are approximately \$60,000 and will need to be provided in addition to the final determined local match. If the application is not successful, the fees are returned. The applications are due on February 9, 2023 and applicants will be notified in early summer of 2023 whether they are recommended to receive funding.



RELEVANT RESOLUTIONS:

RESOLUTION #	DESCRIPTION	
	Authorization to apply for the RAISE (Rebuilding American Infrastructure with Sustainability and Equity) Grant.	

A RESOLUTION APPROVING AN APPLICATION TO THE EAST-WEST GATEWAY COUNCIL OF GOVERNMENTS FOR THE SURFACE TRANSPORTATION **PROGRAM-**SUBALLOCATED (STP-S) AND CONGESTION MITIGATION AND AIR QUALITY (CMAQ) PROGRAM IN CONNECTION WITH BRICKLINE GREENWAY AND PLEDGE LOCAL MATCHING FUNDS. SUBJECT TO FUTURE APPROPRIATION AND AUTHORIZING OTHER ACTIONS AS NECESSARY TO EFFECTUATE THE SAME

WHEREAS, the Metropolitan Park and Recreation District d/b/a The Great Rivers Greenway District (the "District") is a metropolitan park and recreation district authorized under Section 67.1700 to 67.1769 of the Revised Statutes of Missouri, as amended (the "District Act");

WHEREAS, pursuant to the Clean Water, Safe Parks, and Community Trails Initiative ("Proposition C"), the qualified voters of St. Louis County, St. Charles County, and St. Louis City approved the creation of the District;

WHEREAS, the District was formed to undertake the development, operation and maintenance of a public system of interconnecting trails and parks throughout the areas and counties comprising the District (the "District's Mission");

WHEREAS, in furtherance of the District's Mission, and in accordance with the Bylaws of the District, the District adopted "Building the River Ring" as the Regional Plan for the District, and which contains the comprehensive plan of the District, its existing and proposed interconnecting greenway, park and trail projects, and any proposed land acquisitions (the "River Ring Regional Plan");

WHEREAS, the Brickline Greenway is shown as a regional greenway in the River Ring Regional Plan (the "Brickline Greenway");

WHEREAS, the District desires to extend and improve the River Ring in furtherance of the River Ring Regional Plan by constructing the Brickline Greenway: North Connector (the "Project");

WHEREAS, pursuant to the approval of the Safe and Accessible Arch and Public Parks Initiative ("Proposition P") and Section 67.1712.2 of the District Act, the governing bodies of St. Louis City and St. Louis County imposed a three-sixteenths of one cent sales tax for the purpose of funding the operation and maintenance of the portion of the District located within St. Louis City and St. Louis County;

WHEREAS, the 2023 GRG 3/16 Capital Budget was approved by the District pursuant to Resolution 2022.89;

WHEREAS, the 2023 GRG 3/16 Capital Budget included line item (308I) for the Project;

WHEREAS, the District desires to authorize the Chief Executive Officer to (i) support the City of St. Louis STP-S and CMAQ applications to the East-West Gateway Council of Governments; (ii) provide the application fee funds for the STP-S and CMAQ applications in an amount not to exceed \$60,000 to be finalized in January 2023; (iii) pledge \$3,620,000 for local match funds to the Project contingent upon the STP-S and CMAQ applications being successful, with the City of St. Louis and other possible funding partners, subject to future appropriation and (iv) take any actions necessary or appropriate to effectuate the same; and

WHEREAS, at a meeting of the Board of Directors of the District (the "Board"), convened at 11:30 am, on January 10, 2023, at the District Offices at 3745 Foundry Way, St. Louis, Missouri, at which was present a quorum of the Board, the Board took the action further described herein.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE METROPOLITAN PARK AND RECREATION DISTRICT D/B/A THE GREAT RIVERS GREENWAY DISTRICT AS FOLLOWS:

- 1. The Board authorizes the Chief Executive Officer to support the City of St. Louis' STP-S and CMAQ applications to the East-West Gateway Council of Governments for the Project including the application fees in an amount not to exceed \$60,000 and necessary matching in a range not to exceed \$3,620,000.
- 2. The Board authorizes the Chief Executive Officer or her designees to take such further action, and execute such other documents, certificates and instruments as may be necessary or desirable to carry out and comply with the intent of this Resolution.

- 3. All actions heretofore taken by the officers, agents, and employees of the District related to the transactions contemplated by this Resolution are hereby ratified and confirmed.
- 4. The portions of this Resolution shall be severable. In the event that any portion of this Resolution is found by a court of competent jurisdiction to be invalid, the remaining portions of this Resolution are valid, unless the court finds the valid portions of this Resolution are so essential and inseparably connected with and dependent upon the void portion that it cannot be presumed that the Board would have enacted the valid portions without the invalid ones, or unless the court finds that the valid portions standing alone are incomplete and are incapable of being executed in accordance with the legislative intent.
- 5. This Resolution shall be in full force and effect immediately from and after its adoption as provided by law.

ADOPTED this 10th day of January 2023. METROPOLITAN PARK AND RECREATION DISTRICT D/B/A THE GREAT RIVERS GREENWAY DISTRICT

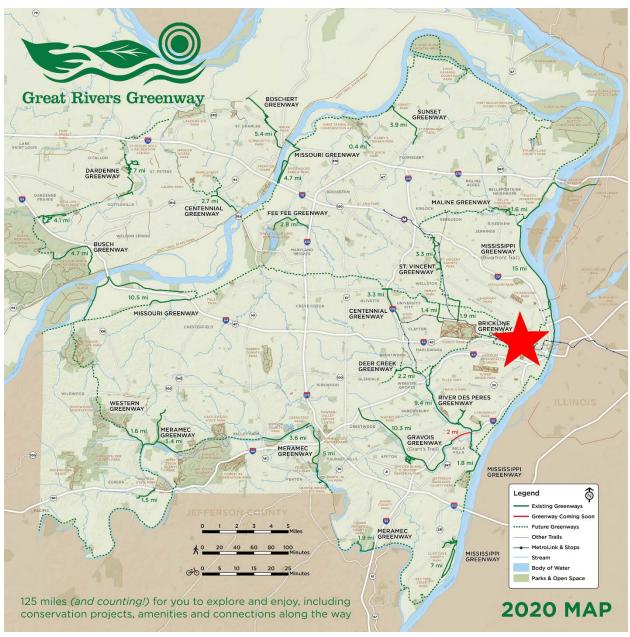
(Insert Name), President

ATTEST:

(insert Name), Secretary

<u>Vote:</u>

Aye: Nay: Abstain: Absent: Not Present: B. That the Board adopt Resolution 2023.04 approving a Program Agreement not to exceed \$4,000,000 with the Missouri Department of Transportation in connection with Brickline Greenway: North Connector and authorizing other actions as necessary to effectuate the same. - Lonny Boring



WHERE:

SUBPROJECT CODE	GREENWAY	SEGMENT	JURISDICTION(S)
308S	Brickline	North Connector	St. Louis City

<u>WHO:</u>

STAFF	CONTRACTOR(S), VENDOR(S), PARTNER(S)	TYPE OF SERVICES/AGREEMENT
Lonny Boring	Missouri Department of Transportation	Program Agreement

FIRST CONTRACT WITH THIS ENTITY? (YES OR NO)	WHAT ARE THE DBE GOALS FOR THIS PROJECT?	DBE OR ON A DBE LIST? LIST	IF NOT REGISTERED, DOES THEIR OWNERSHIP REFLECT WOMEN OR MINORITIES? (PLEASE EXPLAIN)
No	N/A	N/A	N/A

PLEASE LIST ANY SUBCONTRACTORS BY NAME, % OF CONTRACT RECEIVED AND DBE STATUS	DOES THIS PROJECT HAVE WORKFORCE GOALS?
N/A	N/A

			# OF PROCUREMENT RESPONSES:
N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A

PROCUREMENT RESULTS DETAIL (BID RESULTS, SUMMARY OF INTERVIEWS, ETC)

N/A

WHAT:

ACTION TYPE	AMOUNT OF REQUEST	CURRENT BUDGETED FUNDS AVAILABLE	AMENDMENTS AND/OR SOURCES
Approval of Program Agreement	N/A	N/A	N/A

	OUTSIDE RESOURCES, GRANTS OR IN-KIND SERVICES	
N/A		

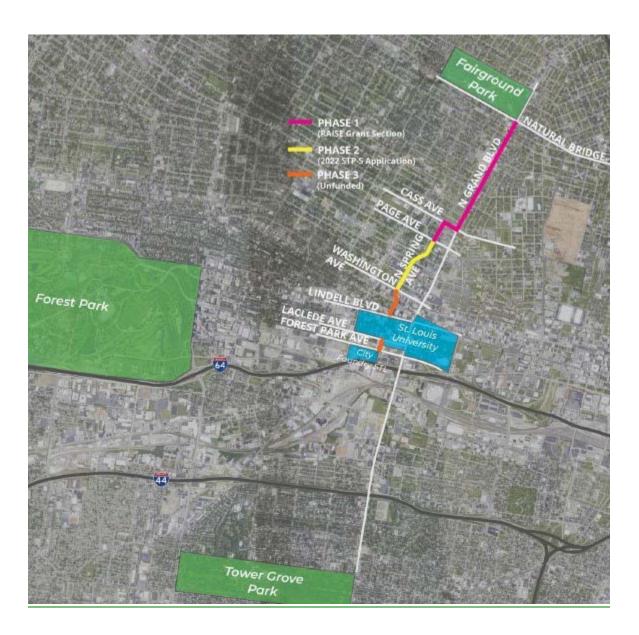
WHEN:

BUDGET YEAR	CURRENT PHASE OF PROJECT	NEXT MILESTONE
2023	Design	Construction

WHY AND/OR HOW:

This action requests to authorize the CEO to enter into a Program Agreement with the Missouri Department of Transportation (MoDOT) to accept \$4,000,000 in Transportation Alternatives Program (TAP) federal funds for the construction of the Brickline Greenway: North Connector Phase 2 along Spring Ave. between Page Blvd. and Washington Ave. The Phase 2 segment is shown in yellow on the map below and connects to the segment partially funded through the federal RAISE Grant.

Great Rivers Greenway (GRG) previously submitted a Surface Transportation Program Suballocated (STP-S) application for the development of the Brickline Greenway pursuant to Resolution 2022.11. The application was ultimately successful and the project was recommended for funding by East-West Gateway Council of Governments Board of Directors. Due to availability of federal funds, East-West Gateway Council of Governments reallocated the STP-S award to the Transportation Alternative Program (TAP). Now, GRG staff seeks approval to enter into a Program Agreement with MoDOT, the administrator of the federal funds. The Program Agreement will secure these federal funds for use in the construction of the Brickline Greenway segment, providing \$4,000,000 of the total estimated \$6,900,000 construction cost. The federal funds are obligated for MoDOT's Fiscal Year 2025, which begins in October 2024 and ends in September 2025. The local matching funds will need to be allocated in GRG's future budgets to ensure GRG meets its local matching requirements under the TAP Grant. Private sources of funding can be applied to the local match as well.



RELEVANT RESOLUTIONS:

RESOLUTION #	DESCRIPTION
2022.11	Approving a \$4 million application for federal transportation funding

RESOLUTION APPROVING A PROGRAM AGREEMENT NOT TO EXCEED \$4,000,000 WITH THE MISSOURI DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION IN CONNECTION WITH BRICKLINE GREENWAY: NORTH CONNECTOR AND AUTHORIZING OTHER ACTIONS AS NECESSARY TO EFFECTUATE THE SAME.

WHEREAS, the Metropolitan Park and Recreation District d/b/a The Great Rivers Greenway District (the "District") is a metropolitan park and recreation district authorized under Section 67.1700 to 67.1769 of the Revised Statutes of Missouri, as amended (the "District Act");

WHEREAS, pursuant to the Clean Water, Safe Parks, and Community Trails Initiative ("Proposition C"), the qualified voters of St. Louis County, St. Charles County, and St. Louis City approved the creation of the District;

WHEREAS, the District was formed to undertake the development, operation and maintenance of a public system of interconnecting trails and parks throughout the areas and counties comprising the District (the "District's Mission");

WHEREAS, in furtherance of the District's Mission, and in accordance with the Bylaws of the District, the District adopted "Building the River Ring" as the Regional Plan for the District, and which contains the comprehensive plan of the District, its existing and proposed interconnecting greenway, park and trail projects, and any proposed land acquisitions (the "River Ring Regional Plan");

WHEREAS, the Brickline is shown as a regional greenway in the River Ring Regional Plan (the "Brickline Greenway");

WHEREAS, the District desires to extend and improve the River Ring in furtherance of the River Ring Regional Plan by designing and constructing the Brickline Greenway: North Connector (the "Project");

WHEREAS, pursuant to the approval of the Safe and Accessible Arch and Public Parks Initiative ("Proposition P") and Section 67.1712.2 of the District Act, the governing bodies of St. Louis City and St. Louis County imposed a three-sixteenths of one cent sales tax for the purpose of funding the operation and maintenance of the portion of the District located within St. Louis City and St. Louis County;

WHEREAS, the 2023 GRG 3/16 Capital Budget was approved by the District pursuant to Resolution 2022.89;

WHEREAS, the 2023 GRG 3/16 Capital Budget included line item (308S) for the Project;

WHEREAS, the District desires to authorize the Chief Executive Officer to (i) negotiate and enter into a program agreement with the Missouri Department of Transportation; and (ii) take any actions necessary or appropriate to effectuate the same; and

WHEREAS, at a meeting of the Board of Directors of the District (the "Board"), convened at 11:30 am, on January 10, 2023 at the District Offices at 3745 Foundry Way, St. Louis, Missouri, at which was present a quorum of the Board, the Board took the action further described herein.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE METROPOLITAN PARK AND RECREATION DISTRICT D/B/A THE GREAT RIVERS GREENWAY DISTRICT AS FOLLOWS:

- 1. The Board authorizes the Chief Executive Officer to negotiate and enter into a program agreement with the Missouri Department of Transportation in an amount not to exceed \$4,000,000 for the Project.
- 2. The Board authorizes the Chief Executive Officer or her designees to take such further action, and execute such other documents, certificates and instruments as may be necessary or desirable to carry out and comply with the intent of this Resolution.
- 3. All actions heretofore taken by the officers, agents, and employees of the District related to the transactions contemplated by this Resolution are hereby ratified and confirmed.
- 4. The portions of this Resolution shall be severable. In the event that any portion of this Resolution is found by a court of competent jurisdiction to be invalid, the remaining portions of this Resolution are valid, unless the court finds

the valid portions of this Resolution are so essential and inseparably connected with and dependent upon the void portion that it cannot be presumed that the Board would have enacted the valid portions without the invalid ones, or unless the court finds that the valid portions standing alone are incomplete and are incapable of being executed in accordance with the legislative intent.

5. This Resolution shall be in full force and effect immediately from and after its adoption as provided by law.

ADOPTED this 10th day of January, 2023. METROPOLITAN PARK AND RECREATION DISTRICT D/B/A THE GREAT RIVERS GREENWAY DISTRICT

, President

ATTEST:

, Secretary

Vote:

Aye: Nay: Abstain: Absent: Not Present: C. That the Board adopt Resolution 2023.05 to support the St. Louis County's Surface Transportation Program - Suballocated (STP-S) Application for the Schuetz Road Improvement Project in the Centennial Greenway: Lindbergh to Gandy Drive and pledge \$1,321,579, subject to future appropriation, toward the local match and authorizing other actions as necessary to effectuate the same -Angelica Gutierrez



WHERE:

SUBPROJECT CODE	GREENWAY	SEGMENT	JURISDICTION(S)
599E	(entennial	•	Unincorporated St. Louis County

<u>WHO:</u>

STAFF	CONTRACTOR(S), VENDOR(S), PARTNER(S)	TYPE OF SERVICES/AGREEMENT
Angelica Gutierrez		Letter of Support for STP- S Application

FIRST CONTRACT WITH THIS ENTITY? (YES OR NO)	WHAT ARE THE DBE GOALS	IS THIS VENDOR A REGISTERED DBE OR ON A DBE LIST? LIST ALL THAT APPLY: WBE, MBE, OTHER	IF NOT REGISTERED, DOES THEIR OWNERSHIP REFLECT WOMEN OR MINORITIES? (PLEASE EXPLAIN)
No	N/A	N/A	N/A

PLEASE LIST ANY SUBCONTRACTORS BY NAME, % OF CONTRACT RECEIVED AND DBE STATUS	DOES THIS PROJECT HAVE WORKFORCE GOALS?
N/A	N/A

	PROCUREMENT MONTH/YEAR:	IF A CONTRACT RENEWAL, HOW MANY YEARS HAVE PASSED AND ARE LEFT?	# OF PROCUREMENT RESPONSES:
Other	2025-2026-2027	N/A	N/A

PROCUREMENT RESULTS DETAIL (BID RESULTS, SUMMARY OF INTERVIEWS, ETC)

N/A

WHAT:

ACTION TYPE	AMOUNT	CURRENT	AMENDMENTS
	OF	BUDGETED FUNDS	AND/OR
	REQUEST	AVAILABLE	SOURCES
Approval of Letter of Support with matching funds		Subject to appropriation of funds budgeted for 2025-2026-2027	N/A

OUTSIDE RESOURCES, GRANTS OR IN-KIND SERVICES

St. Louis County is seeking STPS-S funds for the project

WHEN:

BUDGET YEAR	CURRENT PHASE OF PROJECT	NEXT MILESTONE
2025-2026-2027	Planning	Design

WHY AND/OR HOW:

This action requests authorization for the CEO to provide a letter of support and pledge a maximum of \$1,321,579 in local matching funds, subject to future Great Rivers Greenway (GRG) Board appropriation, for St. Louis County's 2023 Surface Transportation Program - Suballocated (STP-S) application for the Schuetz Road Improvement Project. The GRG board approved a previous partnership with St. Louis County for this project last year (Board Action 2022.10), but the project was not selected by East-West Gateway Council of Governments. The County is submitting the project again in this new round of funding and has requested GRG's partnership again. GRG staff supports this project as Schuetz Road was identified in the Centennial Greenway Master Plan and would be an opportunity to leverage federal transportation funds with St. Louis County. St. Louis County's Schuetz Road Improvement Project proposes to resurface the road, add ADA curb ramps at side streets, install ADAcompliant pedestrian push buttons and signal heads, improve drainage and water quality and add a 10-foot wide shared-use path (Centennial Greenway) on the south side of the street. There will be a need to (1) relocate a large portion of the southern curb and repurpose that space within the existing public right of way and (2) narrow traffic lanes as much as possible to build the greenway. Physically the topography and land use would allow for increased green space in several locations along the proposed side path.

The Centennial Greenway alignment in this area is proposed along Schuetz Road per the Centennial Greenway Master Plan from 2006. It is also part of the St. Louis County Action Plan for Walking & Biking, which had community feedback in support of this alignment in 2020. There will be a need to increase the civic engagement efforts to communicate specific project elements with the community in 2023 during the planning phase. This is a residential area, and the project will impact residential driveways, as well as one church, a firehouse and two schools. Because GRG's Centennial Greenway: Lindbergh to Gandy Drive project has identified a Schuetz Rd alignment to GRG's project scope, the local match dollars would be allocated toward construction of a 1.1 mile long, 10 foot wide shared-use path running along the south side of Schuetz Rd. This east-west path would enhance the Centennial Greenway by safely transporting bicyclists and pedestrians between Lindbergh and Gandy Drive, and in the future will connect to the Centennial Greenway currently under construction in Olivette (to the east) and to the Creve Coeur Lake Memorial Park and Centennial Greenway in St. Charles (to the west).

St. Louis County is seeking an STP-S application to East-West Gateway for the Design Services, Right-of-Way purchasing and Construction. The current total project cost estimate is \$7,600,000. If the application is successful, the project is anticipated to be completed in 2028. The applications are due on February 9, 2023 and applicants will be notified in early summer of 2023 whether they are recommended to receive funding. Below is the financial plan for the future years:

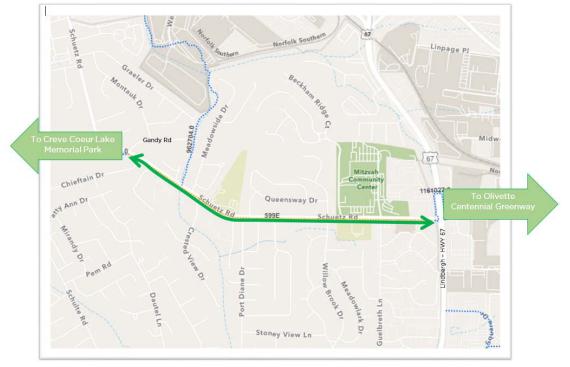
Schuetz							
Funding Plan	Year	Total	Federal	Local	Fed%	GRG ask	Year
Design (PE)	25/26	\$1,100,080	\$ 715,052	\$ 385,028	65%	\$ 192,514	25/26
ROW	26/27	\$456,400	\$ 296,660	\$ 159,740	65%	\$ 79,870	26/27
Construction Engineering (CE)	27/28	\$495,000	\$ 321,750	\$ 173,250	65%		
Implementation	27/28	\$5,500,400	\$ 3,575,260	\$ 1,925,140	65%	\$ 1,049,195	27/28
	Grand Total	\$7,551,880	\$ 4,908,722	\$ 2,643,158	65%		
			50/50	\$ 1,321,579		\$ 1,321,579	

St. Louis County has requested GRG's assistance and financial support of the project and for a letter of support that would reference the \$1,321,579 in matching funds, subject to future GRG Board appropriation, and subject to St. Louis County securing the grant funding. This amount is an increase from the \$750,000 requested by the County for last year's STP-S application. The County has reviewed the costs and strategy and feels that a 65% federal/35% local match will help to increase the chances that the project will be approved by East-West Gateway.

GRG staff supports the County's efforts and this application as it would leverage federal transportation funds to construct an important greenway connection from Lindbergh to Gandy Drive and support GRG's efforts to make regional connections in St. Louis County. If the grant is awarded, the matching funds would not be needed until 2025. The matching funds would be included in GRG's 2025-26-27 Capital Budgets, subject to future appropriation by the Board. If the County's application is successful, GRG and the County Council will negotiate and execute an agreement outlining the project and GRG's portion of the project later in 2023 or 2024. Additionally, GRG may work to begin preliminary planning and public engagement activities later in 2023 and into 2024 to lay the groundwork for the County design work to occur in 2025.



PROJECT LOCATION MAP CENTENNIAL GREENWAY – SCHUETZ ROAD: LINDBERGH TO GANDY RD



RELEVANT RESOLUTIONS:

RESOLUTION #	DESCRIPTION
2022.10	Support to the St. Louis County's Surface Transportation Program - Suballocated (STP-S) Application for the Schuetz Road Improvement Project in the Centennial Greenway: Lindbergh to Gandy Drive and pledge \$750,000

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE SUBMISSION OF A LETTER OF SUPPORT FOR ST. LOUIS COUNTY'S SURFACE TRANSPORTATION SUBALLOCATED PROGRAM -(STP-S) APPLICATION FOR THE SCHUETZ ROAD IMPROVEMENT PROJECT IN THE CENTENNIAL **GREENWAY AND** PLEDGE \$1,321,579, SUBJECT ТО **FUTURE** APPROPRIATION, TOWARD THE LOCAL MATCH AND AUTHORIZING OTHER ACTIONS AS NECESSARY TO EFFECTUATE THE SAME.

WHEREAS, the Metropolitan Park and Recreation District d/b/a The Great Rivers Greenway District (the "District") is a metropolitan park and recreation district authorized under Section 67.1700 to 67.1769 of the Revised Statutes of Missouri, as amended (the "District Act");

WHEREAS, pursuant to the Clean Water, Safe Parks, and Community Trails Initiative ("Proposition C"), the qualified voters of St. Louis County, St. Charles County, and St. Louis City approved the creation of the District;

WHEREAS, the District was formed to undertake the development, operation and maintenance of a public system of interconnecting trails and parks throughout the areas and counties comprising the District (the "District's Mission");

WHEREAS, in furtherance of the District's Mission, and in accordance with the Bylaws of the District, the District adopted "Building the River Ring" as the Regional Plan for the District, and which contains the comprehensive plan of the District, its existing and proposed interconnecting greenway, park and trail projects, and any proposed land acquisitions (the "River Ring Regional Plan"); WHEREAS, the Centennial Greenway is shown as a regional greenway in the River Ring Regional Plan (the Centennial Greenway");

WHEREAS, the District desires to extend and improve the River Ring in furtherance of the River Ring Regional Plan by supporting the St. Louis County's Surface Transportation Block Grant - Suballocated (STP-S) application for the Centennial Greenway in Unincorporated St. Louis County along Schuetz Rd from Lindbergh to Gandy Drive (the "Project");

WHEREAS, pursuant to the approval of the Safe and Accessible Arch and Public Parks Initiative ("Proposition P") and Section 67.1712.2 of the District Act, the governing bodies of St. Louis City and St. Louis County imposed a three-sixteenths of one cent sales tax for the purpose of funding the operation and maintenance of the portion of the District located within St. Louis City and St. Louis County;

WHEREAS, the 2023 GRG 3/16 Capital Budget was approved by the District pursuant to Resolution 2022.89 (Capital Budget);

WHEREAS, the 2023 GRG 3/16 Capital Budget included line item (599E) for the Project;

WHEREAS, the District desires to authorize the Chief Executive Officer to (i) submit a letter of support to St. Louis County for the Project including a pledge for \$1,321,579, subject to future appropriation, in local match funds to the Project and contingent upon St. Louis County securing STP-S grant funding; and (ii) take any actions necessary or appropriate to effectuate the same; and

WHEREAS, at a meeting of the Board of Directors of the District (the "Board"), convened at 11:30 am, on January 10, 2023, at the District Offices at 3745 Foundry Way, St. Louis, Missouri, at which was present a quorum of the Board, the Board took the action further described herein.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE METROPOLITAN PARK AND RECREATION DISTRICT D/B/A THE GREAT RIVERS GREENWAY DISTRICT AS FOLLOWS:

- The Board authorizes the Chief Executive Officer to submit a letter of support to St. Louis County for the Project including a pledge of \$1,321,579, subject to future appropriation, in local matching funds to the Project, and contingent upon St. Louis County securing the STP-S grant funding.
- 2. The Board authorizes the Chief Executive Officer or her designees to take such further action, and execute such other documents, certificates and instruments as may be necessary or desirable to carry out and comply with the intent of this Resolution.
- 3. All actions heretofore taken by the officers, agents, and employees of the District related to the transactions contemplated by this Resolution are hereby ratified and confirmed.
- 4. The portions of this Resolution shall be severable. In the event that any portion of this Resolution is found by a court of competent jurisdiction to be invalid, the remaining portions of this Resolution are valid, unless the court finds the valid portions of this Resolution are so essential and inseparably connected with and dependent upon the void portion that it cannot be presumed that the Board would have enacted the valid portions without the invalid ones, or unless the court finds that the valid portions standing alone are incomplete and are incapable of being executed in accordance with the legislative intent.
- 5. This Resolution shall be in full force and effect immediately from and after its adoption as provided by law.

ADOPTED this 10th day of January, 2023. METROPOLITAN PARK AND RECREATION DISTRICT D/B/A THE GREAT RIVERS GREENWAY DISTRICT

(Insert Name), President

ATTEST:

(Insert Name), Secretary

<u>Vote:</u>

Aye:

Nay: Abstain: Absent: Not Present: D. That the Board adopt Resolution 2023.06 to support the St. Louis County's Surface Transportation Program - Suballocated (STP-S) Application for the Vernon Road Improvement Project in the Centennial Greenway: Midland Ave to Westgate Ave and pledge up to \$1,284,586, subject to future appropriation, toward the local match and authorizing other actions as necessary to effectuate the same -Angelica Gutierrez



WHERE:

SUBPROJECT CODE	GREENWAY	SEGMENT	JURISDICTION(S)
606B	Centennial	Ackert Walkway to Heman Park	University City

<u>WHO:</u>

STAFF	CONTRACTOR(S), VENDOR(S), PARTNER(S)	TYPE OF SERVICES/AGREEMENT
Angelica Gutierrez		Letter of Support for STP- S Application

FIRST CONTRACT WITH THIS ENTITY? (YES OR NO)	WHAT ARE THE DBE GOALS FOR THIS PROJECT?	REGISTERED DBE OR ON A DBE	IF NOT REGISTERED, DOES THEIR OWNERSHIP REFLECT WOMEN OR MINORITIES? (PLEASE EXPLAIN)
No	N/A	N/A	N/A

PLEASE LIST ANY SUBCONTRACTORS BY NAME, % OF CONTRACT RECEIVED AND DBE STATUS	DOES THIS PROJECT HAVE WORKFORCE GOALS?
N/A	N/A

	PROCUREMENT MONTH/YEAR:	· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·	# OF PROCUREMENT RESPONSES:
Other	2025-2026-2027	N/A	N/A

PROCUREMENT RESULTS DETAIL (BID RESULTS, SUMMARY OF INTERVIEWS, ETC)

N/A

WHAT:

ACTION TYPE	AMOUNT OF REQUEST	CURRENT BUDGETED FUNDS AVAILABLE	AMENDMENTS AND/OR SOURCES
Approval of Letter of Support with matching funds	\$1,284,586	Subject to appropriation of funds budgeted for 2025-2026-2027	N/A

OUTSIDE RESOURCES, GRANTS OR IN-KIND SERVICES

St. Louis County is seeking STPS-S funds for the project

WHEN:

BUDGET YEAR	CURRENT PHASE OF PROJECT	NEXT MILESTONE
2025-2026-2027	Planning	Design

WHY AND/OR HOW:

This action requests authorization for the CEO to provide a letter of support and pledge \$1,284,586 in local matching funds, subject to future Great Rivers Greenway (GRG) appropriation, for St. Louis County's 2023 Surface Transportation Program - Suballocated (STP-S) application for the Vernon Road Improvement Project.

St. Louis County's Vernon Road Improvement Project proposes to resurface the road, add ADA curb ramps at side streets, install ADAcompliant pedestrian push buttons and signal heads at Kingsland Ave, improve drainage and water quality and add a 10 foot wide shared-use path (Centennial Greenway) on the north side of the street. There will be a need to (1) relocate a large portion of the northern curb and repurpose that space within the existing right of way and (2) narrow traffic lanes as much as possible to build the greenway. This project would connect two segments of the Centennial Greenway in University City.

The Centennial Greenway alignment in this area is proposed along Vernon Road per the Centennial Greenway Master Plan from 2006. It is also part of the St. Louis County Action Plan for Walking & Biking, which had community feedback in support of this alignment in 2020. There will be a need to increase the civic engagement efforts to communicate specific project elements with the community in 2023 during the planning phase. This is a dense residential area, impacting driveways, one church and a firehouse. Because GRG's Centennial Greenway project has identified a Vernon Rd alignment to the District's project scope, the local match dollars would be allocated toward construction of a 1 mile long, 10 foot wide shared-use path running along the north side of Vernon Ave.

This proposed 1 mile east-west path would construct the Centennial Greenway along Vernon Avenue and safely transport greenway users between the existing Ackert Walkway/Centennial Greenway and Vernon Ave intersection, to University City's Heman Park trail system and a small segment of the Centennial Greenway built by University City many years ago. By working with St. Louis County and University City, the Greenway would extend from the existing greenway as it travels from Forest Park, through Washington University, Delmar Loop, Ackert Walkway and connecting to Heman Park, a distance of 2.3 miles.

St. Louis County is seeking an STP-S application to East-West Gateway for the Design Services, Right-of-Way purchasing and Construction. The current project cost estimate is \$7,300,000. If the application is successful, the project is anticipated to be completed in 2028. The applications are due on February 9, 2023 and applicants will be notified in early summer of 2023 whether they are recommended to receive funding. Below is the financial plan proposed to be completed in the year 2025-26-27-28

Vernon							
Funding Plan	Year	Total	Federal	Local	Fed%	GRG participation	
Design (PE)	25/26	\$1,168,992	\$ 759,844	\$ 409,147	65%	\$ 204,573	25/26
ROW	26/27	\$379,700	\$ 246,805	\$ 132,895	65%	\$ 66,447	26/27
Construction Engineering (CE)	27/28	\$478,200	\$ 310,830	\$ 167,370	65%		
Implementation	27/28	\$5,313,600	\$ 3,453,840	\$ 1,859,760	65%	\$ 1,013,565	27/28
	Grand Total	\$7,340,492	\$ 4,771,319	\$ 2,569,172	65%		
			50/50	\$ 1,284,586		\$ 1,284,586	

St. Louis County has requested GRG's assistance in the project and for a letter of support that would reference the \$1,284,586 in matching funds, subject to future GRG Board appropriation, and subject to St. Louis County securing the grant funding. GRG staff supports this request as it would leverage federal transportation funds to construct an important greenway connection from Forest Park to Heman Park and support GRG's efforts to make regional connections in St. Louis County. If the Grant is awarded, the matching funds would not be needed until 2025. The matching funds would be included in GRG's 2025-26-27-28 Capital Budgets, subject to future appropriation by the Board. If the County's application is successful, GRG and the County Council will negotiate and execute an agreement outlining the project and GRG's portion of the funding. Additionally, if the grant is awarded later this year, GRG would work with the County and University City to outline planning and engagement activities in 2024-2025 in advance of the design work.

PROJECT LOCATION MAP

CENTENNIAL GREENWAY - VERNON AVENUE: MIDLAND BLVD TO STL. COUNTY LIMITS



RELEVANT RESOLUTIONS:

RESOLUTION #	DESCRIPTION

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE SUBMISSION OF A LETTER OF SUPPORT FOR ST. LOUIS SURFACE TRANSPORTATION COUNTY'S PROGRAM -SUBALLOCATED (STP-S) APPLICATION FOR THE VERNON AVE **IMPROVEMENT PROJECT IN THE CENTENNIAL** GREENWAY AND PLEDGE UP TO \$1,284,586, SUBJECT TO FUTURE APPROPRIATION. TOWARD THE LOCAL MATCH AND AUTHORIZING OTHER ACTIONS AS NECESSARY TO EFFECTUATE THE SAME.

WHEREAS, the Metropolitan Park and Recreation District d/b/a The Great Rivers Greenway District (the "District") is a metropolitan park and recreation district authorized under Section 67.1700 to 67.1769 of the Revised Statutes of Missouri, as amended (the "District Act");

WHEREAS, pursuant to the Clean Water, Safe Parks, and Community Trails Initiative ("Proposition C"), the qualified voters of St. Louis County, St. Charles County, and St. Louis City approved the creation of the District;

WHEREAS, the District was formed to undertake the development, operation and maintenance of a public system of interconnecting trails and parks throughout the areas and counties comprising the District (the "District's Mission");

WHEREAS, in furtherance of the District's Mission, and in accordance with the Bylaws of the District, the District adopted "Building the River Ring" as the Regional Plan for the District, and which contains the comprehensive plan of the District, its existing and proposed interconnecting greenway, park and trail projects, and any proposed land acquisitions (the "River Ring Regional Plan");

WHEREAS, the Centennial Greenway is shown as a regional greenway in the River Ring Regional Plan (the Centennial Greenway");

WHEREAS, the District desires to extend and improve the River Ring in furtherance of the River Ring Regional Plan by supporting the St. Louis County's Surface Transportation Block Grant - Suballocated (STP-S) application for the Centennial Greenway in University City - St. Louis

County along Vernon Ave from Midland Ave to St. Louis County limits. (the "Project");

WHEREAS, pursuant to the approval of the Safe and Accessible Arch and Public Parks Initiative ("Proposition P") and Section 67.1712.2 of the District Act, the governing bodies of St. Louis City and St. Louis County imposed a three-sixteenths of one cent sales tax for the purpose of funding the operation and maintenance of the portion of the District located within St. Louis City and St. Louis County;

WHEREAS, the 2023 GRG 3/16 Capital Budget was approved by the District pursuant to Resolution 2022.89(Capital Budget);

WHEREAS, the District desires to authorize the Chief Executive Officer to (i) submit a letter of support to St. Louis County for the Project including a pledge for \$1,284,568, subject to future appropriation, in local match funds to the Project and contingent upon St. Louis County securing STP-S grant funding; and (ii) take any actions necessary or appropriate to effectuate the same; and

WHEREAS, at a meeting of the Board of Directors of the District (the "Board"), convened at 11:30 am, on January 10, 2023, at the District Offices at 3745 Foundry Way, St. Louis, Missouri, at which was present a quorum of the Board, the Board took the action further described herein.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE METROPOLITAN PARK AND RECREATION DISTRICT D/B/A THE GREAT RIVERS GREENWAY DISTRICT AS FOLLOWS:

- 1. The Board authorizes the Chief Executive Officer to submit a letter of support to St. Louis County for the Project including a pledge of \$1,284,586, subject to future appropriation, in local matching funds to the Project, towards the local match needed for the Project and contingent upon St. Louis County securing the STP-S grant funding.
- 2. The Board authorizes the Chief Executive Officer or her designees to take such further action, and execute such other documents, certificates and instruments as may be necessary or desirable to carry out and comply with the intent of this Resolution.

- 3. All actions heretofore taken by the officers, agents, and employees of the District related to the transactions contemplated by this Resolution are hereby ratified and confirmed.
- 4. The portions of this Resolution shall be severable. In the event that any portion of this Resolution is found by a court of competent jurisdiction to be invalid, the remaining portions of this Resolution are valid, unless the court finds the valid portions of this Resolution are so essential and inseparably connected with and dependent upon the void portion that it cannot be presumed that the Board would have enacted the valid portions without the invalid ones, or unless the court finds that the valid portions standing alone are incomplete and are incapable of being executed in accordance with the legislative intent.
- 5. This Resolution shall be in full force and effect immediately from and after its adoption as provided by law.

ADOPTED this 10th day of January, 2023. METROPOLITAN PARK AND RECREATION DISTRICT D/B/A THE GREAT RIVERS GREENWAY DISTRICT

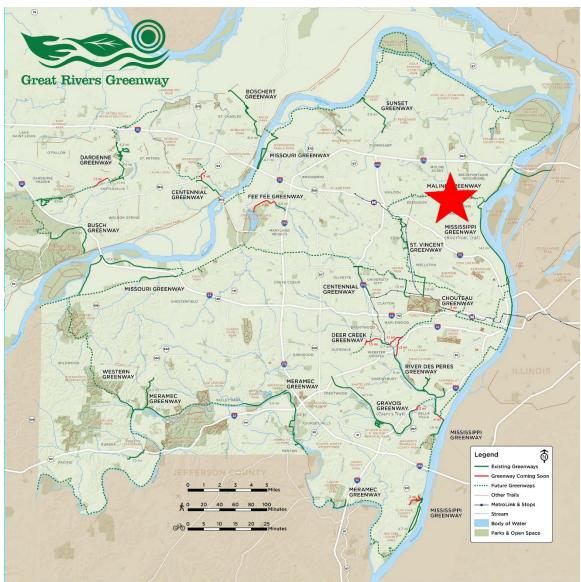
(Insert Name), President

ATTEST:

(Insert Name), Secretary

<u>Vote:</u>

Aye: Nay: Abstain: Absent: Not Present: E. That the Board adopt Resolution 2023.07 approving a contract amendment not to exceed \$64,782 with HDR, Inc. in connection with Maline Greenway: Ted Jones Trail to West Florissant Avenue and authorizing other actions as necessary to effectuate the same. -Michael Steinlage



WHERE:

SUBPROJECT CODE	GREENWAY	SEGMENT	JURISDICTION(S)
295	Maline		St. Louis County; City of Ferguson

<u>WHO:</u>

STAFF	CONTRACTOR(S), VENDOR(S), PARTNER(S)	TYPE OF SERVICES/AGREEMENT
Michael Steinlage	HDR, Inc.	Contract Amendment

FIRST CONTRACT WITH THIS ENTITY? (YES OR NO)	WHAT ARE THE DBE GOALS	REGISTERED DBE OR ON A DBE	IF NOT REGISTERED, DOES THEIR OWNERSHIP REFLECT WOMEN OR MINORITIES? (PLEASE EXPLAIN)
No	NA	No	NA

PLEASE LIST ANY SUBCONTRACTORS BY NAME, % OF CONTRACT RECEIVED AND DBE STATUS	DOES THIS PROJECT HAVE WORKFORCE GOALS?
 DTLS, Inc. (WBE) - 23% Survey and Mapping - 11% Millenia Professional Services (MBE) - 2% 	NA

		IF A CONTRACT RENEWAL, HOW MANY YEARS HAVE PASSED AND ARE LEFT?	# OF PROCUREMENT RESPONSES:
RFP	02/18	NA	NA

PROCUREMENT RESULTS DETAIL (BID RESULTS, SUMMARY OF INTERVIEWS, ETC)

NA

WHAT:

ACTION TYPE	AMOUNT OF REQUEST	CURRENT BUDGETED FUNDS AVAILABLE	AMENDMENTS AND/OR SOURCES
Contract Amendment	\$64,782	\$677,226	295

OUTSIDE RESOURCES, GRANTS OR IN-KIND SERVICES

Surface Transportation Program - Suballocated

WHEN:

BUDGET YEAR	CURRENT PHASE OF PROJECT	NEXT MILESTONE
2023	Final Design and Site Control	Site Control Clearance and 100% Final Design

WHY AND/OR HOW:

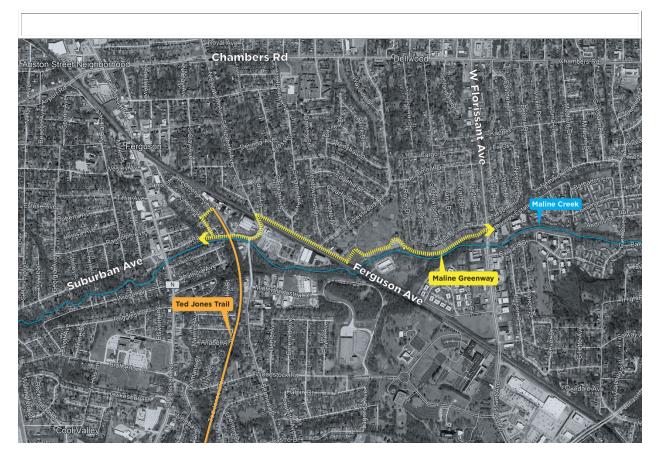
This action requests to authorize the CEO to negotiate and enter into a contract amendment with HDR, Inc. ("HDR") in an amount not to exceed \$64,782 in connection with design services for the Maline Greenway: Ted Jones Trail to West Florissant Avenue segment.

Great Rivers Greenway ("GRG") staff interviewed three (3) firms from the 2018-2019 Vendors List for Planning and Design Services for (i) a 2/3-mile segment of the Maline Greenway, connecting Forestwood Park to West Florissant Avenue in Ferguson, Missouri and (ii) a 0.9 mile segment of the Maline Greenway, connecting the Ted Jones Trail to Forestwood Park in Ferguson, Missouri. Based on the results of the interviews, the selection committee recommended HDR for the services and GRG and HDR entered into a contract and contract amendment in 2018 and 2019, respectively, for professional services related to the design of the contiguous 1.5 mile segment.

In February 2019, GRG staff submitted an application to East-West Gateway Council of Governments ("EWG") for \$2,000,000 in federal funds to be applied toward the construction of this new segment of Maline Greenway. The application was successfully recommended for funding by EWG and project development takes place in the context of MoDOT's Local Public Agency (LPA) requirements. Right-of-Way (ROW) negotiations began in May 2022 and staff has been working with fifteen (15) private property owners in pursuit of the permanent and temporary easements required for the project to be built. As ROW negotiations progressed, multiple meetings with landowners were held and subsequent design modifications were made in order to reach voluntary agreements with the property owners. Furthermore, due to this project's construction taking place concurrently and overlapping with St. Louis County's (the "County") construction of roadway improvements on Elizabeth Ave., design changes were made to accommodate a partnership between GRG and the County and minimize construction impacts to the local community. As a result of the ROW impacts and County coordination efforts, design plan modifications are required and HDR now seeks additional compensation for the added scope of work. The contract amendment comprises the following scope items:

- Additional geotechnical services to provide drill shaft recommendations in connection with design of the concrete boardwalk system
- 2. Lighting design services to add continuous trail lighting along the boardwalk and through Forestwood Park and Lang Royce Park
- 3. Revised ROW sheets with new easement boundaries in support of achieving the Land Acquisition Clearance milestone

HDR has proposed an additional scope of work in an amount not to exceed \$64,782 to bring the project Plans, Specifications, and Estimates to 100% Final Design status. Following completion of the construction documents and submittal to the Missouri Department of Transportation for authorization to advertise, construction activity is scheduled to begin in spring of 2023.



RELEVANT RESOLUTIONS:

RESOLUTION #	DESCRIPTION
2018.21	Contract with HDR, Inc. for Planning Services
2018.100	Approval of the Maline Greenway: Forestwood Park to West Florissant Avenue Feasibility Study and Concept Plan
2019.120	Contract with HDR, Inc. for Design Services
2019.58	Contract amendment with HDR, Inc. for Design Services

A RESOLUTION APPROVING A CONTRACT AMENDMENT NOT TO EXCEED \$64,782 WITH HDR, INC. IN CONNECTION WITH MALINE GREENWAY: TED JONES TRAIL TO WEST FLORISSANT AVENUE AND AUTHORIZING OTHER ACTIONS AS NECESSARY TO EFFECTUATE THE SAME.

WHEREAS, the Metropolitan Park and Recreation District d/b/a The Great Rivers Greenway District (the "District") is a metropolitan park and recreation district authorized under Section 67.1700 to 67.1769 of the Revised Statutes of Missouri, as amended (the "District Act");

WHEREAS, pursuant to the Clean Water, Safe Parks, and Community Trails Initiative ("Proposition C"), the qualified voters of St. Louis County, St. Charles County, and St. Louis City approved the creation of the District;

WHEREAS, the District was formed to undertake the development, operation and maintenance of a public system of interconnecting trails and parks throughout the areas and counties comprising the District (the "District's Mission");

WHEREAS, in furtherance of the District's Mission, and in accordance with the Bylaws of the District, the District adopted "Building the River Ring" as the Regional Plan for the District, and which contains the comprehensive plan of the District, its existing and proposed interconnecting greenway, park and trail projects, and any proposed land acquisitions (the "River Ring Regional Plan");

WHEREAS, the Maline Greenway is shown as a regional greenway in the River Ring Regional Plan (the "Maline Greenway");

WHEREAS, the District desires to improve the River Ring in furtherance of the River Ring Regional Plan by connecting the Ted Jones Trail to West Florissant Avenue (the "Project");

WHEREAS, pursuant to the approval of the Safe and Accessible Arch and Public Parks Initiative ("Proposition P") and Section 67.1712.2 of the District Act, the governing bodies of St. Louis City and St. Louis County imposed a three-sixteenths of one cent sales tax for the purpose of funding the operation and maintenance of the portion of the District located within St. Louis City and St. Louis County; WHEREAS, the 2023 GRG 3/16 Capital Budget was approved by the District pursuant to Resolution 2022.89 (Capital Budget);

WHEREAS, the 2023 GRG 3/16 Capital Budget included line item (295) for the Project;

WHEREAS, pursuant to Resolution 2019.58, the District authorized the Chief Executive Officer to negotiate and enter into a contract with HDR, Inc. for design phase professional services in furtherance of the Project, and the District subsequently entered into a contract with HDR, Inc.;

WHEREAS, the District desires to enter into a contract amendment with HDR, Inc. in order to amend the period of service and compensation under the existing contract;

WHEREAS, the District desires to (i) authorize the Chief Executive Officer to negotiate and enter into a contract amendment with HDR, Inc.; and (ii) take any actions necessary or appropriate to effectuate the same; and

WHEREAS, at a meeting of the Board of Directors of the District (the "Board"), convened at 11:30 am, on January 10, 2023, at the District Offices at 3745 Foundry Way, St. Louis, Missouri, at which was present a quorum of the Board, the Board took the action further described herein.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE METROPOLITAN PARK AND RECREATION DISTRICT D/B/A THE GREAT RIVERS GREENWAY DISTRICT AS FOLLOWS:

- 1. The Board authorizes the Chief Executive Officer to negotiate and enter into a contract amendment with HDR, Inc. in an amount not to exceed \$64,782.
- 2. The Board authorizes the Chief Executive Officer or her designees to take such further action, and execute such other documents, certificates and instruments as may be necessary or desirable to carry out and comply with the intent of this Resolution.
- 3. All actions heretofore taken by the officers, agents, and employees of the District related to the transactions contemplated by this Resolution are hereby ratified and confirmed.
- 4. The portions of this Resolution shall be severable. In the event that any portion of this Resolution is found by a court of competent jurisdiction to be invalid, the remaining

portions of this Resolution are valid, unless the court finds the valid portions of this Resolution are so essential and inseparably connected with and dependent upon the void portion that it cannot be presumed that the Board would have enacted the valid portions without the invalid ones, or unless the court finds that the valid portions standing alone are incomplete and are incapable of being executed in accordance with the legislative intent.

5. This Resolution shall be in full force and effect immediately from and after its adoption as provided by law.

ADOPTED this 10th day of January, 2023. METROPOLITAN PARK AND RECREATION DISTRICT D/B/A THE GREAT RIVERS GREENWAY DISTRICT

(Insert Name), President

ATTEST:

(Insert Name), Secretary

Vote:

Aye: _____ Nay: _____ Abstain: _____ Absent: _____ Not Present: _____ F. That the Board adopt Resolution 2023.08 approving a contract amendment not to exceed \$80,000 with The Rome Group in connection with fundraising, development and consulting services and authorizing other actions as necessary to effectuate the same. -Michelle Bock

WHERE:

SUBPROJECT CODE	GREENWAY	SEGMENT	JURISDICTION(S)
999	Brickline	N/A	St. Louis City

WHO:

STAFF CONTRACTOR(S),		TYPE OF	
VENDOR(S), PARTNER(S)		SERVICES/AGREEMENT	
Michelle Bock	The Rome Group	Contract Amendment	

FIRST CONTRACT WITH THIS ENTITY? (YES OR NO)		DBE OR ON A DBE LIST? LIST	IF NOT REGISTERED, DOES THEIR OWNERSHIP REFLECT WOMEN OR MINORITIES? (PLEASE EXPLAIN)
No	N/A	WBE	

PLEASE LIST ANY SUBCONTRACTORS BY NAME, % OF CONTRACT RECEIVED AND DBE STATUS	DOES THIS PROJECT HAVE WORKFORCE GOALS?
N/A	N/A

PROCUREMENT TYPE: RFQ, RFP, BID, VENDOR'S LIST, SOLE SOURCE, OTHER	PROCUREMENT MONTH/YEAR:	IF A CONTRACT RENEWAL, HOW MANY YEARS HAVE PASSED AND ARE LEFT?	# OF PROCUREMENT RESPONSES:
RFQ	2022	N/A	N/A

PROCUREMENT RESULTS DETAIL (BID RESULTS, SUMMARY OF INTERVIEWS, ETC)

In 2022, Great Rivers Greenway (GRG) issued a Request for Qualifications for fundraising, development and consulting services for the Brickline Greenway. After interviews, GRG staff decided The Rome Group was the most qualified candidate and subsequently entered into a contract with them under the Chief Executive Officer's signing authority.

WHAT:

ACTION TYPE	AMOUNT OF REQUEST	CURRENT BUDGETED FUNDS AVAILABLE	AMENDMENTS AND/OR SOURCES
Contract Amendment	\$80,000	\$150,000	

OUTSIDE RESOURCES, GRANTS OR IN-KIND SERVICES

WHEN:

BUDGET YEAR	CURRENT PHASE OF PROJECT	NEXT MILESTONE
2023		

WHY AND/OR HOW:

The contract entered into with The Rome Group in 2022 was for \$50,000 and included the following scope of work:

- Internal Development Office Structure conduct assessment of organization's development activities to ensure people and process are aligned to support the campaign.
- 2. Develop Campaign Plan including progress and strategy develop campaign plan that outlines phases with benchmarks, timelines and strategies. Provide ongoing counsel and direction to implement plan and manage activity to ensure progress. Develop systems for tracking progress including solicitations and commitments, recognition, staff and volunteer follow through and gap to goal.
- 3. Campaign Leadership Recruitment work with staff and core leadership to identify potential campaign cabinet members and recommend strategies for recruiting top candidates to lead the campaign. Once established, provide staff and leadership support including meeting agendas and call plans, tracking action items and drafting communications to aid solicitation.
- 4.Prospect Identification, Qualifications and Management review and vet current prospect lists to prioritize outreach and identify best individuals to solicit support for campaign. Conduct prospect review session with campaign cabinet using Linkage, Ability, Interest (LIA) model.
- 5. Cultivation and Solicitation develop specific strategies for each prospect with six-figure potential. Provide direct support to solicitors by creating donor profiles and call plans to include contact information, meeting goal, ask amount, talking points, GRG involvement. Draft communications for staff and volunteers to use in outreach and follow-up.
- 6.Donor Recognition and Naming work to finalize naming and recognition procedures.
- 7.Policies and Procedures review and revise campaign and gift acceptance policies and procedures.
- 8.Case for Support review case statement as needed. Recommend design firm to develop case as needed.9.Other Activities as needed may include, but not be limited to:
 - a. Develop supporting materials
 - b. Assist with FAQ document

c. Provide input on public relations activities Pursuant to the signing authority granted to the Chief Executive Officer under the District's procurement policy, any amount approved over the current \$50,000 contract must receive Board approval. GRG is satisfied with the services The Rome Group provided in the past year and recommends the Board authorize the Chief Executive Officer to amend the existing contract to extend the period of service through the end of 2023 and the amount of compensation to be paid thereunder in an amount of \$80,000.

RELEVANT RESOLUTIONS:

RESOLUTION #	DESCRIPTION

A RESOLUTION APPROVING A CONTRACT AMENDMENT NOT TO EXCEED \$80,000 WITH GROUP IN CONNECTION THE ROME WITH FUNDRAISING, DEVELOPMENT AND CONSULTING SERVICES AND AUTHORIZING OTHER ACTIONS AS NECESSARY TO EFFECTUATE THE SAME.

WHEREAS, the Metropolitan Park and Recreation District d/b/a The Great Rivers Greenway District (the "District") is a metropolitan park and recreation district authorized under Section 67.1700 to 67.1769 of the Revised Statutes of Missouri, as amended (the "District Act");

WHEREAS, pursuant to the Clean Water, Safe Parks, and Community Trails Initiative ("Proposition C"), the qualified voters of St. Louis County, St. Charles County, and St. Louis City approved the creation of the District;

WHEREAS, the District was formed to undertake the development, operation and maintenance of a public system of interconnecting trails and parks throughout the areas and counties comprising the District (the "District's Mission");

WHEREAS, in furtherance of the District's Mission, and in accordance with the Bylaws of the District, the District adopted "Building the River Ring" as the Regional Plan for the District, and which contains the comprehensive plan of the District, its existing and proposed interconnecting greenway, park and trail projects, and any proposed land acquisitions (the "River Ring Regional Plan");

WHEREAS, the Brickline Greenway is shown as a regional greenway in the River Ring Regional Plan (the "Brickline Greenway");

WHEREAS, the District desires to improve the River Ring in furtherance of the River Ring Regional Plan by working with The Rome Group on fundraising, development and consulting services (the "Project");

WHEREAS, pursuant to the approval of the Safe and Accessible Arch and Public Parks Initiative ("Proposition P") and Section 67.1712.2 of the District Act, the governing bodies of St. Louis City and St. Louis County imposed a three-sixteenths of one cent sales tax for the purposes of funding the operation and maintenance of the portion of the District located within St. Louis City and St. Louis County; WHEREAS, the 2023 Capital Budget was approved by the District pursuant to Resolution 2022.89 (Capital Budget);

WHEREAS, the2023 GRG 3/16 Capital Budget included line item 999 for the Project;

WHEREAS, pursuant to the signing authority granted to the Chief Executive Officer under the District's procurement policy, the Chief Executive Officer entered into a contract with The Rome Group for fundraising, development and consulting services in furtherance of the Project, and the District subsequently entered into a contract with The Rome Group;

WHEREAS, the District desires to enter into a contract amendment with The Rome Group in order to amend the period of service and compensation under the existing contract;

WHEREAS, the District desires to (i) authorize the Chief Executive Officer to negotiate and enter into a contract amendment with The Rome Group; and (ii) take any actions necessary or appropriate to effectuate the same; and

WHEREAS, at a meeting of the Board of Directors of the District (the "Board"), convened at 11:30 am, on January 10, 2023, at the District Offices at 3745 Foundry Way, St. Louis, Missouri, at which was present a quorum of the Board, the Board took the action further described herein.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE METROPOLITAN PARK AND RECREATION DISTRICT D/B/A THE GREAT RIVERS GREENWAY DISTRICT AS FOLLOWS:

- 1. The Board authorizes the Chief Executive Officer to negotiate and enter into a contract amendment with The Rome Group in an amount not to exceed \$80,000.
- 2. The Board authorizes the Chief Executive Officer or her designees to take such further action, and execute such other documents, certificates and instruments as may be necessary or desirable to carry out and comply with the intent of this Resolution.
- 3. All actions heretofore taken by the officers, agents, and employees of the District related to the transactions contemplated by this Resolution are hereby ratified and confirmed.

- 4. The portions of this Resolution shall be severable. In the event that any portion of this Resolution is found by a court of competent jurisdiction to be invalid, the remaining portions of this Resolution are valid, unless the court finds the valid portions of this Resolution are so essential and inseparably connected with and dependent upon the void portion that it cannot be presumed that the Board would have enacted the valid portions without the invalid ones, or unless the court finds that the valid portions standing alone are incomplete and are incapable of being executed in accordance with the legislative intent.
- 5. This Resolution shall be in full force and effect immediately from and after its adoption as provided by law.

ADOPTED this 10th day of January, 2023. METROPOLITAN PARK AND RECREATION DISTRICT D/B/A THE GREAT RIVERS GREENWAY DISTRICT

ATTEST:

, President

, Secretary

<u>Vote:</u>

Aye: _____ Nay: _____ Abstain: _____ Absent: _____ Not Present: _____

7. CLOSED SESSION A. NOTICE TO ENTER INTO CLOSED SESSION

The Board of the Metropolitan Park and Recreation District, d/b/a Great Rivers Greenway, may go into closed session at this meeting if such action is approved by a majority vote of the Board members who constitute a quorum, to discuss legal, confidential or privileged matters under RSMo. §610.021(1); leasing, purchase or sale of real estate under §610.021(2); personnel actions under §610.021(3); specifications for competitive bidding under §610.021(11); sealed bids under §610.021(12); personnel records under §610.021(13); or records under §610.021(14) which are otherwise protected from disclosure by law; or confidential or privileged communications with the District's auditor, including auditor work products under §610.021(17).

TO LEARN MORE ABOUT RSMo. 610, click here.

8. ADJOURNMENT