



City of Broken Arrow

Request for Action

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Broken Arrow City Council
Meeting of: 10-20-2020

Title:

Consideration, discussion and possible approval to direct the City Manager and staff to proceed with possible retention of Consulting Firm/s to have a traffic, walkability, and streetscape study preformed for New Orleans Square.

Background:

On September 1, 2020, the City Council accepted the Final Report presented by its Citizen Advisory Committee for the Elm and New Orleans intersection, which is now known as the New Orleans Square. This Report recommended several study options for various projects.

One of the recommendations discussed from the beginning of this process was to conduct a study concerning the feasibility of constructing a roundabout in place of the traditional cross style intersection that currently exists. In addition, the study will investigate and examine other critical components, such as: walkability and Americans with Disability Act (ADA) features, landscaping and roadway diet elements, as well as utility corridor congestion impacts.

Staff recommends that a professional consulting firm, which experience and expertise in all aspects of the potential improvements, be selected to conduct the study. The study is intended to provide direction in order to improve access to this corridor and fulfill the goals and recommendations of the Advisory Committee.

If Council approves the recommendation, Staff can use the 2018 GO Bond A/E selection results to invite qualified consulting firms to interview for the study. This will expedite the selection process and present the City with well qualified professional consulting firms with experience and expertise as desired. Staff is positioned to begin the process immediately.

Cost: To Be Determined

Funding Source: Broken Arrow Economic Development Authority

Requested By: Larry R. Curtis, Community Development Director

Approved By: City Manager's Office

Attachments: None

Recommendation:

Direct the City Manager and staff to retain consulting firm in order to conduct an intersection study the Elm and New Orleans intersection.