




City of Tacoma

Resolution No.:

Meeting Date: November 1, 2022

**Contract and Award Letter
Purchase Resolution —Exhibit "A"**

TO: Board of Contracts and Awards
FROM: Josh Diekmann, P.E. PTOE, Interim Public Works Director/City Engineer 
 Jon Kulju, PMP, Project Manager, Public Works Engineering
COPY: City Council, City Manager, City Clerk, EIC Coordinator, LEAP Coordinator, Tina Eide, Senior Buyer, Finance/Purchasing
SUBJECT: Contract Amendment 1 for AHBL INC, for Design Services for the Links to Opportunity Streetscape Project, Contract No. CW2235190 – November 1, 2022
DATE: October 11, 2022

RECOMMENDATION SUMMARY:

The Public Works Department (PW) requests approval to increase Contract Number CW2235190, to AHBL INC, Tacoma, WA, by \$322,062.50, plus applicable taxes, budgeted from the 1060-CAPTL (PW Street Capital Projects) Fund, to increase survey and design services for the Links to Opportunity Streetscape Project. This increase will bring the contract to a cumulative total of \$819,613.15, plus applicable taxes.

STRATEGIC POLICY PRIORITY:

- Strengthen and support a safe city with healthy residents.
- Assure outstanding stewardship of the natural and built environment.
- Encourage and promote an efficient and effective government, which is fiscally sustainable and guided by engaged residents.

This project will be designed and constructed to meet Tacoma’s complete street requirements. This work is primarily between curb and right-of-way line or storefront and includes ADA compliant sidewalks, bicycle lanes, illumination, streetscape amenities, sidewalk drainage design, and landscaping and/or street trees. The project will be completed in conjunction with Sound Transit’s Tacoma Link Expansion.

BACKGROUND:

The Links to Opportunity Streetscape Project (LTO Project) was initiated in 2016, to actively engage the community in designing streetscape improvements along Sound Transit’s Hilltop Tacoma Link Extension route which runs along Martin Luther King (MLK) Jr. Way between Division Avenue and South 19th Street. The scope of the design services was to complete the design plans with as-built information from the Hilltop Tacoma Link Extension project, support right-of-way services and provide engineering support during construction.

ISSUE: The original LTO Project design of channelization for bicycle lanes was limited to selected intersections along MLK Jr. Way and “J” Street adjacent to the LTO Project limits. Public Works applied for and was awarded a Transportation Alternatives Program (TAP) Grant for construction funds only to install new bicycle lanes. The “J” Street Bicycle Boulevard Project will construct a two-mile bicycle boulevard from North 3rd Street to South 27th Street, along with improved east/west bicycle connections via 6th Avenue, South 11th Street, Earnest Brazill Street, South 17th Street, and South 18th Street. This “J” Street Bicycle Boulevard Project will be included in the LTO Project. The contract with AHBL INC was increased to include survey and design of the “J” Street Bicycle Boulevard Project.



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ALTERNATIVES: In the event the request for additional resource assistance is denied, staff would have to engage in a competitive selection process and advertise for a new design contract, which is already partially complete.

COMPETITIVE SOLICITATION:

PW staff reviewed the Statement of Qualifications of three firms from the Architectural and Engineering (A&E) roster for the LTO Project design completion and selected AHBL INC as the best fit for the work.

CONTRACT HISTORY: This contract was originally awarded to AHBL INC on March 1, 2020, in the amount of \$497,550.65. This request is the first amendment to the contract.

Proposed Amendment No. 1 for \$322,062.50, plus applicable taxes, for a cumulative contract total of \$819,613.15, plus applicable taxes, will provide for increased survey and design services for the LTO Project through August 31, 2023.

SUSTAINABILITY: Not applicable

EQUITY IN CONTRACTING (EIC) COMPLIANCE: Not applicable

LOCAL EMPLOYMENT AND APPRENTICESHIP TRAINING PROGRAM (LEAP) COMPLIANCE: Not Applicable

FISCAL IMPACT:

EXPENDITURES:

FUND NUMBER & FUND NAME	COST OBJECT (CC/WBS/ORDER)	COST ELEMENT	TOTAL AMOUNT
1060-CAPTL (PW Street Capital Projects)	PWK-G0057-02-01	5310100	\$322,062.50
TOTAL			Up to \$322,062.50

REVENUES:

FUNDING SOURCE	COST OBJECT (CC/WBS/ORDER)	COST ELEMENT	TOTAL AMOUNT
Streets Initiative Revenues	663020	Various	\$322,062.50
TOTAL			Up to \$322,062.50

FISCAL IMPACT TO CURRENT BIENNIAL BUDGET: \$322,062.50

ARE THE EXPENDITURES AND REVENUES PLANNED AND BUDGETED? Yes

IF EXPENSE IS NOT BUDGETED, PLEASE EXPLAIN HOW THEY ARE TO BE COVERED. N/A