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Preservation, Restoration, Education and Recreation

**DATE:** April 6, 2015

**MEMO TO:** Bonnie Thomson Carter, Chair  
Planning and Restoration Committee

S. Michael Rummel, Chair  
Finance and Administrative Committee

**FROM:** Randall L. Seebach, Director  
Planning and Land Preservation

**SUBJECT:** Engineering Services for the Pedestrian Bridge and Trail Connection at Middlefork Savanna

**RECOMMENDATION:** Recommend approval of a Resolution awarding a Contract for Phase II Engineering Services for the Pedestrian Bridge and Trail Connection at Middlefork Savanna Forest Preserve to Civiltech Engineering, Inc., Itasca, Illinois, in the Contract Price of \$162,652.00.

**BACKGROUND:** In September 2013, the District approved an engineering contract with Pearson Brown and Associates to provide additional site investigation, final design, permitting, bidding documents and a detailed cost estimate for the placement of a pedestrian bridge over the existing Metra railroad tracks and a trail connection to Lake Forest Academy. Upon completion of the engineering, a public bidding was held and, in August 2014, two bids were received that were significantly above the available budgeted amount. Those bids were rejected, and it was determined that the project would be a strong candidate for federal funding through the CMAQ/TAP program by expanding the project to include the City of Lake Forest's proposed trail link along Academy Drive to IL Route 60 and the City's Townline Community Park. If the project is awarded funding, 80% of the construction and construction engineering would be paid for with federal funds.

In October 2014, the District entered into a contract with Civiltech Engineering to provide Phase I engineering services to prepare the project for federal funding assistance through the CMAQ/TAP program. The application was submitted in February 2015, and an award announcement is expected later in the year. The Phase I engineering services and meetings with interested parties and agencies are ongoing. A new intergovernmental agreement between the District, City of Lake Forest, and Lake Forest Academy has been drafted to reflect changes to the scope of the project, the federal funding application, and the need to develop Phase II engineering plans and submittals.

As part of the federal funding process, Phase II engineering services are required to complete the final design, specifications, bid documents and to prepare the project for an IDOT letting should funding be awarded. Civiltech Engineering has submitted a proposal in the amount of \$162,652.00, of which the City of Lake Forest has agreed to reimburse the District \$17,702.00 to cover the engineering for their portion of the project.

**REASON FOR RECOMMENDATION:** Committee recommendation and Board approval are required in accordance with District policy.

**REVIEW BY OTHERS:** Chief Operations Officer, Director of Finance, Legal Counsel

**FINANCIAL DATA:** This project was approved as part of the adopted FY 2014/2015 Capital Improvement Plan in the amount of \$900,000.00. This portion of the project was estimated at \$200,000.00. The City of Lake Forest will contribute \$17,702.00 and the remaining cost of \$144,950.00 will be charged to account 35634100-803200-61101.

**PRESENTER:** Randall L. Seebach

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 COUNTY OF LAKE )

**BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS  
 LAKE COUNTY FOREST PRESERVE DISTRICT  
 REGULAR APRIL MEETING  
 APRIL 14, 2015**

**MADAM PRESIDENT AND MEMBERS OF THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS:**

Your **PLANNING AND RESTORATION COMMITTEE**; and **FINANCE AND ADMINISTRATIVE COMMITTEE** present herewith "A Resolution Awarding a Contract for Engineering Services for the Pedestrian Bridge and Trail Connection at Middlefork Savanna Forest Preserve," and request its adoption.

**PLANNING AND RESTORATION  
 COMMITTEE:**

**YEA    NAY**

**FINANCE AND ADMINISTRATIVE  
 COMMITTEE:**

**YEA    NAY**

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**LAKE COUNTY FOREST PRESERVE DISTRICT  
LAKE COUNTY, ILLINOIS**

**A RESOLUTION AWARDING A CONTRACT FOR ENGINEERING SERVICES FOR THE  
PEDESTRIAN BRIDGE AND TRAIL CONNECTION AT MIDDLEFORK SAVANNA FOREST PRESERVE**

**WHEREAS**, the Lake County Forest Preserve District (the "District") desires to retain a firm to develop phase II engineering plans and submittals to complete the final design and specifications of, and bid documents for the competitive bidding of, the Middlefork Savanna Pedestrian Overpass and City of Lake Forest trail project (the "Services"); and

**WHEREAS**, the Director of Planning and Land Preservation and the Purchasing Manager have determined that the Services require personal confidence; and

**WHEREAS**, the Purchasing Manager has solicited a proposal for the Services; and

**WHEREAS**, the District's staff; the Purchasing Manager, the Director of Planning and Land Preservation, the Planning and Restoration Committee, and the Finance and Administrative Committee have reviewed the proposal and recommend that the Board of Commissioners (i) find that the proposal submitted by Civiltech Engineering, Inc. be determined to be the proposal that is most advantageous to the District; and (ii) award a contract for the Services to Civiltech Engineering, Inc. (the "Contract") in the amount of \$162,652.00 (the "Contract Price"); and

**WHEREAS**, the District has a satisfactory relationship with Civiltech Engineering, Inc. for engineering services; and

**WHEREAS**, the Board of Commissioners hereby finds that the proposal for the Services submitted by Civiltech Engineering, Inc. is the proposal that is most advantageous to the District;

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** by the Board of Commissioners of the Lake County Forest Preserve District, Lake County, Illinois THAT:

Section 1. Recitals. The recitals set forth above are incorporated as a part of this Resolution by this reference.

Section 2. Award of Contract. A Contract for the Services in the amount of the Contract Price is hereby awarded to Civiltech Engineering, Inc.

Section 3. Execution of Contract. The Executive Director of the District is hereby authorized and directed to execute the Contract for the Services in the amount of the Contract Price.

Section 4. Payments. The Treasurer shall make payments under the Contract only pursuant to and in accordance with the Contract terms.

Section 5. Effective Date. This Resolution shall be in full force and effect from and after its passage and approval in the manner provided by law.

PASSED this \_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_ 2015

AYES:

NAYS:

APPROVED this \_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_ 2015

ATTEST:

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Ann B. Maine, President  
Lake County Forest Preserve District

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Julie A. Gagnani, Secretary  
Lake County Forest Preserve District

Exhibit \_\_\_\_\_