

Consider/Discuss/Act on a Recommendation to the City Council to Authorize the Interim City Manager to Execute a Professional Services Contract with Schrickel Rollins and Associates, Inc. of Dallas, Texas for Landscape Architectural and Engineering Services Related to the Design and Construction of the Gabe Nesbitt Tennis Expansion Project, Additional Park Amenities and Landscape Enhancements.

## **Summary**

**COUNCIL GOAL:** Direction for Strategic Growth

**MEETING DATE:** December 10, 2015

**DEPARTMENT:** Parks and Recreation Department

**CONTACT:** Rhoda L. Savage, Director of Parks and Recreation

## **RECOMMENDED MCDC ACTION:**

- Authorization to enter into a contract with Schrickel, Rollins and Associates, Inc. (SRA).

## **ITEM SUMMARY:**

- This item recommends authorization of a professional services contract to provide landscape architectural and engineering services related to the design and construction of the Gabe Nesbitt tennis expansion project, park amenities and landscape enhancements located within the southern section of the park.
  - Seven firms submitted statements of qualifications and were evaluated by five City staff from the Engineering, MCDC and Parks, Recreation and Open Space (PROS) departments.
  - From the seven firms that submitted, the evaluation team's top ranking firm was Schrickel, Rollins and Associates, Inc. (SRA).
  - SRA has submitted a proposal to provide professional landscape architectural and engineering services related to the design and construction of the Gabe Nesbitt tennis expansion project.
  - The approved budget for this project is \$3 million from MCDC funds with an additional \$4 million to be transferred from parkland dedication funds, bringing the total project budget to \$7 million.
- **BACKGROUND INFORMATION:**
    - SRA has worked on previous City projects. They designed the 2012 Gray Branch Master Plan and led the 2003 Parks Master Plan.
    - The Gabe Nesbitt Master Plan was recently updated to show full build out potential of the park. This project is intended to complete most if not all of the park amenities planned for the southern section of the park which include but are not limited to:

- Tennis Center expansion
- Hike and bike trails
- Sports practice areas
- Additional restrooms
- Signage
- Enhanced landscaping
- Shade pavilions

**FINANCIAL SUMMARY:**

The Gabe Nesbitt Tennis Expansion Project (PK4396) is a FY13-14 Capital Improvements Program funded by MCDC funds. The approved funding is \$3 million from MCDC funds for the tennis center improvements. Staff anticipates bringing a budget amendment forward to transfer \$4 million from parkland dedication funds for the construction of the additional park amenities listed above which will bring the total budget to \$7 million dollars.