



Lake County Illinois

Legislation Text

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Joint resolution authorizing an agreement with BLA, Inc., Itasca, Illinois, for Phase I professional engineering services for non-motorized travel improvements along Washington Street, between Sextant Drive and Almond Road, at a maximum cost of \$407,930, and appropriating \$490,000 of ¼% Sales Tax for Transportation funds.

- Washington Street, between Sextant Drive and Almond Road (1.6 miles), will be evaluated for non-motorized improvements. This section of bike path is identified on the County's 2040 Non-Motorized Plan and is also a priority gap in the bike path network.
- Lake County selects professional engineering firms in accordance with the Local Government Professional Services Selection Act, 50 ILCS 510/1 et. seq.
- The Lake County Division of Transportation's (LCDOT) Consultant Selection Process has been approved by the Federal Highway Administration and the Illinois Department of Transportation, and the firm selected for this project was selected in accordance with this approved process.
- LCDOT received and evaluated Statements of Interest and Qualifications from eight professional firms, of which three were short-listed and presented to a consultant selection committee.
- This project is included in the Transportation Improvement Program and designated as Section 21-00110-15-BT.

RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, Washington Street, County Highway 45, is a designated route on the County highway system; and

WHEREAS, Lake County believes it would be beneficial to the safety and welfare of the traveling public if Washington Street, between Sextant Drive and Almond Road, could be improved by adding non-motorized travel improvements; and

WHEREAS, Phase I professional engineering services are required for these improvements; and

WHEREAS, it is recommended that a consultant engineering firm be employed to provide these services; and

WHEREAS, Lake County, by and through its Division of Transportation, has selected a professional engineering services firm in accordance with the Local Government Professional Services Selection Act, 50 ILCS 510/1 et. seq.; and

WHEREAS, BLA, Inc., Itasca, Illinois, are consulting engineers skilled in the provision of these Phase I professional engineering services; and

WHEREAS, an appropriation of funds is required.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by this Lake County Board, that the County Board Chair, the County Clerk, and the County Engineer of Lake County are authorized, and hereby directed to execute on behalf of Lake County, an agreement, and any amendments, between Lake County and BLA, Inc., Itasca, Illinois, at a maximum amount of \$407,930, for Phase I professional engineering services for non-motorized improvements along Washington Street, between Sextant Drive and Almond Road, a draft copy of which is attached hereto.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the County Engineer shall transmit, in writing, the final agreement and any amendments, to be executed by the County Board Chair and the County Clerk.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that there is hereby appropriated \$490,000 of ¼% Sales Tax for Transportation funds for these Phase I professional engineering services, and designated as Section 21-00110-15-BT.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that this agreement be administered in accordance with Chapter 605, Act 5, Section 5-205.2 of the Illinois Compiled Statutes without further Board action, providing the final contract cost chargeable under the funds appropriated does not exceed the appropriation.

DATED at Waukegan, Illinois, on September 14, 2021.