



Lake County Illinois

Legislation Text

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Joint resolution authorizing an agreement with BLA, Inc., Itasca, Illinois, to provide combined Phase I and Phase II professional engineering services for the widening of Buffalo Grove Road, from Illinois Route 22 to U.S. Route 45, at a maximum cost of \$1,985,797, and appropriating \$2,400,000 of Motor Fuel Tax funds made available through the Rebuild Illinois Transportation Bond Funds.

- Buffalo Grove Road, County Highway 16, from Illinois Route 22 to U.S. Route 45, will be widened, inclusive of non-motorized improvements.
- The roadway pavement is nearing the end of its useful service life and needs to be replaced.
- The roadway will be widened from three to five lanes, including drainage improvements, non-motorized elements, and coordination with the ICC for improvements to the Canadian National railroad crossing.
- A consulting firm will be utilized to perform these engineering services.
- 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 17 professional firms, of which three were short-listed and presented to a consultant selection committee.
- As a result of the interviews, the selected and recommended firm is BLA, Inc., with a maximum cost of \$1,985,797.
- This contract will be funded using Rebuild Illinois Bond Funds pending approval from the Illinois Department of Transportation.
- This project is included in the highway improvement program, and designated as Section 17-00254-03-WR.

RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, Buffalo Grove Road, County Highway 16, 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 Buffalo Grove Road, from Illinois Route 22 to U.S. Route 45, could be widened, inclusive of non-motorized improvements; and

WHEREAS, combined Phase I and Phase II design engineering services are required for this

roadway improvement; 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 and Phase II design 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 they are 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 \$1,985,797, for Phase I and Phase II design engineering services for the widening of Buffalo Grove Road, from Illinois Route 22 to U.S. Route 45, 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 \$2,400,000 of Motor Fuel Tax Funds made available through the Rebuild Illinois Transportation Bond Funds for these Phase I and Phase II design engineering services, and designated as Section 17-00254-03-WR.

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.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the clerk is hereby directed to transmit four certified originals of this resolution to the district office of the Department of Transportation.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that this appropriation be processed by the County Engineer for final approval of the Illinois Department of Transportation in accordance with the "Agreement of Understanding" between the Illinois Department of Transportation and Lake County, dated May 3, 2018.

DATED at Waukegan, Illinois, on June 9, 2020.