The County of Yuba

Community Development and Services Agency

TO: Board of Supervisors

FROM: Community Development and Services Agency, Sandeep Sidhu

SUBJECT: Community Development & Services: Approve agreement with Group 4 Architecture for the Library's redesign project to include the Building Forward Library Infrastructure grant funded scope of work services, and authorize Chair to execute.

DATE: February 28, 2023

NUMBER: 83/2023

Recommendation

Approve the Agreement with Group 4 Architecture for the Library's redesign project to include the Building Forward Library Infrastructre grant funded scope of work services, and authorize Chair to execute.

Background/Discussion:

In 2019, the Yuba County Library Needs Assessment study was completed by Library Systems & Services (LS&S) with Group 4 Architecture, Research + Planning, Inc., which determined the need for improved library service and operations and included two future alternative layout diagram concepts.

In October 2020, Group 4 Architecture was hired for conceptual design services for the Yuba County Library, where the preferred layout diagram from the 2019 Needs Assessment was refined into a phased conceptual design that culminated in a presentation to and approval from the County Board of Supervisors on February 23, 2021.

Group 4 Architecture then proceeded with Phase 1A and 1B identified during the conceptual design phase of the project. During the design of those phases, the Library had the opportunity to apply for and was awarded funding from the Building Forward Library Infrastructure (BFLIG) Grant Program. This additional funding provided the opportunity for the County to address the following additional infrastructure needs including the following three categories: life safety improvements, critical maintenance upgrades, and significant modernization.

Life safety improvements include a fire suppression system which the building currently lacks, as well as associated accessibility improvements identified in the County's CALCASP Report.

Critical maintenance upgrades include retrofitting the lighting with energy-saving LED products, roof replacement and adding photovoltaics on the roof, ADA-compliant restrooms, including upgrades to existing, and the addition of a new family restroom located in the children's area.

Significant modernization includes facilitating the enhancement of broadband to 10 Gigabytes per second (Gbps) through equipment upgrades and other projects. Additional modernization includes modernized space for children and teens, consolidated staff workspaces, new group study rooms, interior wayfinding signage, and ADA-compliant shelving and furniture.

Having completed Phase 1A and 1B to the 95% Plan Check set, staff now requests approval from the Board to approve the attached Agreement with Group 4 Architecture for the amount not to exceed $284,400. Contract work includes adding the BFLIG funded scope of work to those drawings and specifications and resubmit the project to the County for plan check. Then proceed with the remaining tasks for the complete Phase 1A, 1B, and BFLIG scope of work.

Committee Action:

Bypassed committee approval and brought directly to the Board as this item is in the Board of Supervisor approved FY 22/23 budget.

Fiscal Impact:

Budget: Board approved FY 2022-2023 Budget Appropriation

Total Projected Cost: $284,400

Source of Funds: Non General Fund - $284,400. CA State Library – Building Forward Library Infrastructure Grant Funding

Attachments

G4 Library Architectural Services Agreement