



REPORT to the MAYOR and MEMBERS of the CITY COUNCIL From the CITY MANAGER

DATE: July 8, 2025

SUBJECT: RESOLUTION AWARDING A TASK ORDER TO CHEN

RYAN ASSOCIATES, INC. TO PERFORM TRAFFIC ENGINEERING SERVICES FOR THE INDUSTRIAL AREA ROADWAY IMPROVEMENT PROJECT

(WALKABILITY STUDY)

ISSUING DEPARTMENT: PUBLIC WORKS

SUMMARY:

<u>Issues:</u>

Should the City of La Mesa award a task order to Chen Ryan Associates, Inc., in the amount of \$150,000 to perform traffic engineering services for the Industrial Area Roadway Improvement Project (Walkability Study)?

Recommendation:

Adopt a resolution awarding a task order to Chen Ryan Associates, Inc., in the amount of \$150,000 to perform traffic engineering services for the Industrial Area Roadway Improvement Project (Walkability Study).

Fiscal Impact:

CIP Project No. 8322, Industrial Area Walkability Study, is funded by Road Maintenance & Rehabilitation (RMRA SB1). No general fund money will be used for this project.

City's Strategic Goals:

- Invest in infrastructure to serve the needs of the community.
- Maintain a community where residents and visitors feel safe.
- Promote a high quality of life that current and future generations can afford to call home.

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BACKGROUND:

The Industrial Area Roadway Improvements project is focused on a historically industrial-zoned district in La Mesa. This area is in center of the city, north of the I-8 Freeway and includes Center Street, Commercial Street and Guild Street. These streets (shown in Attachment C) are the backbone transportation routes for the industrial and commercial uses of the area. One of the long-term goals of the sidewalk master plan is to provide improved walking accessibility and connectivity to the Spring Street corridor and the Village. This work is in conjunction with improving the roadway for heavy vehicle loads and addressing legacy parking configurations.

DISCUSSION:

In May 2024, the City advertised a request for qualifications (RFQ 25-01) for as-needed engineering consultant services. Chen Ryan Associates, Inc was selected as one of the qualified firms to provide services. On June 6, 2025, Chen Ryan Associates, Inc. submitted a proposal for services associated with the Industrial Area Roadway Improvements Project and was subsequently found to be the most highly qualified firm for this work. The proposed scope of work includes identifying feasible, cost-effective strategies to improve pedestrian safety, walkability, and potential bicycle access in the project area. Chen Ryan Associates, Inc., proposal is included as Attachment B.

CONCLUSION:

Staff recommends adopting a resolution awarding a task order to Chen Ryan Associates, Inc., in the amount of \$150,000 to perform traffic engineering services for the Industrial Area Roadway Improvement Project (Walkability Study).

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Attachments: A. Resolution

B. CRA Proposal

C. Site Plan

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