



COMMISSIONERS COURT COMMUNICATION

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DATE: 09/17/2024

**SUBJECT: CONSIDERATION OF ENGINEERING CONTRACTS BETWEEN
TARRANT COUNTY AND SHIELD ENGINEERING GROUP, PLLC
FOR ENGINEERING SERVICES FOR 50TH YEAR COMMUNITY
DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANT (CDBG) PROJECTS**

***** CONSENT AGENDA *****

COMMISSIONERS COURT ACTION REQUESTED

It is requested that the Commissioners Court consider Engineering Contracts between Tarrant County and Shield Engineering Group, PLLC for engineering services for 50th Year Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) projects.

BACKGROUND

On June 18, 2024, the Commissioners Court, through Court Order #143320, approved the Program Year (PY) 2024 Action Plan for the Community Development Department to fulfill U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) regulatory requirements for 50th year CDBG, HOME Investment Partnerships and Emergency Solutions Grant programs. The following projects are listed in the PY 2024 Action Plan for the Community Development Department Engineering Services for 50th Year CDBG projects and are eligible pre-award costs allowed under HUD's waiver of 24 CFR 570.200(h) per the attached Memorandum.

Per HUD guidelines under 2 CFR 200, letters of qualification from engineering firms were received and evaluated by the Community Development Department. The final recommendations for these projects are listed below:

Engineering Firm – Shield Engineering Group, PLLC

Project City - City of North Richland Hills

Engineering Fee - \$40,710.00

Project City - City of Kennedale

Engineering Fee - \$16,999.00

The Criminal District Attorney's Office has approved these contracts as to form.

FISCAL IMPACT

Funding in the amount of \$57,709.00 is available in grant B-24-UC-48-0001. Upon approval of a claim for payment under these contracts, funds will be drawn down from the U.S. Treasury through the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development's (HUD's) electronic transfer system to Tarrant County's bank account. Any delay in this transaction may impact the amount of interest earned by Tarrant County.

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