

DATE: October 31, 2007

TO: Chairman and Board Members

FROM: Redevelopment and Housing Department

SUBJECT: **RESOLUTION NO. 275-R – A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING
THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR TO EXECUTE AN AMENDMENT
TO THE AGREEMENT WITH BMS DESIGN GROUP FOR THE
HISTORIC DISTRICT STREETScape PROJECT AND PUBLIC
PLAZA DESIGN**

BACKGROUND/ISSUE

As part of the Historic District Revitalization Project, a streetscape concept for Sutter Street has been selected by stakeholders involved in the Historic District Revitalization process. After several stakeholder and streetscape design subcommittee meetings, a preferred concept plan was selected. The concept plan for streetscape improvements includes the 600 through 900 blocks of Sutter Street in the Folsom Historic District. The selected plan eliminates the center median, adds 10 additional feet of sidewalk width to each side of Sutter Street and results in the removal of the monolithic shed roofs. The Sutter Street Streetscape concept plan was approved by the Historic District Commission on October 5, 2007 and the Redevelopment Agency Board on October 23, 2007.

In March 2007, the Redevelopment Agency Board approved a contract amendment for BMS Design Group to continue providing streetscape design services for the Sutter Street Streetscape Plan and to begin developing a draft Railroad Block Public Plaza plan. BMS has completed the preliminary public plaza plan that will be reviewed by the public at a general stakeholder meeting on November 14, 2007.

POLICY/RULE

Folsom Municipal Code Chapter 2.36 requires that contracts that exceed \$41,750 be approved by the Agency Board.

STREETSCAPE PLAN

In order to take the next step in preparing detailed design plans for Sutter Street Streetscape, public plaza and interpretive area a contract amendment is necessary. A brief description of each of the three major tasks of the contract is provided below.

Streetscape Plans

BMS Design Group proposes to complete the detailed design phase for the Sutter Street Streetscape plans for \$76,605. This budget will cover time and materials to complete the detailed design work for the 800-900 blocks of Sutter Street. Given the significant public review expected by stakeholders, the budget includes meetings with each individual merchant, several meetings with the streetscape design committee and Railroad Block Partners design team, and meetings with the general stakeholders group, Historic District Commission and Redevelopment Agency Board. This contract does not include the preparation of construction level documents.

Public Plaza

BMS Design Group proposes to complete the detailed design phase for the public plaza for \$136,170. This budget will cover time and materials to complete the detailed design work for the public plaza as well as numerous meetings with the design committee, general stakeholder group, the Historic District Commission and Redevelopment Agency Board. This full amount of this expenditure is eligible for reimbursement from the Federal Transit Administration under the grant awarded the City for the development of the Railroad Block Public Plaza. This scope does not include the cost associated with the preparation of construction level documents for the public plaza.

Interpretive Area

BMS Design Group proposes to complete the design phase to prepare concepts plans for enhancement of the Interpretive Area for \$30,155. This budget will cover time and materials to complete the concept plans, meet with stakeholders and prepare the final plan based on comments from stakeholders and staff.

FINANCIAL IMPACT

The contract totals \$242,930, of which \$136,170 is eligible for reimbursement from FTA. The consultant services will be paid with redevelopment funds. There is sufficient funding available in the Downtown Revitalization fund (Fund 239) to cover the cost of this amendment to the contract.

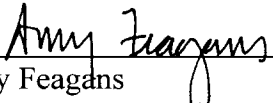
ATTACHMENTS

Resolution No. 275-R - A Resolution Authorizing the Executive Director to Execute an Amendment to the Agreement with BMS Design Group for the Streetscape Consultant Services for the Historic District Streetscape Project and Public Plaza Design

RECOMMENDATION/REDEVELOPMENT AGENCY BOARD ACTION

Adopt Resolution No. 275-R – A Resolution Authorizing the Executive Director to Execute an Amendment to the Agreement with BMS Design Group for Streetscape Consultant Services for the Historic District Streetscape Project and Public Plaza Design

Respectfully submitted,



Amy Feagans
Redevelopment and Housing Director

RESOLUTION NO. 275-R

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR TO EXECUTE AN AMENDMENT TO THE AGREEMENT WITH BMS DESIGN GROUP FOR THE HISTORIC DISTRICT STREETScape PROJECT AND PUBLIC PLAZA DESIGN

WHEREAS, the Redevelopment Agency Board approved Phase 3 of the Folsom District Revitalization Program to continue the Historic District Revitalization Project to help strengthen the vitality of the Historic District; and

WHEREAS, the Sutter Street Streetscape Plan will result in a significant investment into the vitality of the Historic District; and

WHEREAS, the Redevelopment Agency Board previously approved contracts with BMS Design Group to provide Streetscape consultant services to develop a concept streetscape plan for the Historic District; and

WHEREAS, the Historic District Commission and Redevelopment Agency Board approved the Streetscape Concept Plan on October 5, 2007 and October 23, 2007 respectively, and

WHEREAS, in order to continue the detailed design process for the Streetscape Project, Public Plaza and Interpretive Area a contract amendment is necessary; and

WHEREAS, sufficient funding is available in the Redevelopment Agency Fund (Fund 239); and

WHEREAS, in accordance with Chapter 2.36 of the Folsom Municipal Code, contracts of \$41,750 or greater shall be approved by the Redevelopment Agency Board.

NOW, THEREFORE, THE FOLSOM REDEVELOPMENT AGENCY BOARD DOES HEREBY authorize the Executive Director to execute an amendment in a form acceptable to the City Attorney to the agreement with BMS Design Group for the amount of \$242,930 for the Historic District Streetscape Project and Public Plaza Design Streetscape Consultant Services.

PASSED AND ADOPTED this 13th day of November, 2007, by the following vote:

AYES: Board Members:

NOES: Board Members:

ABSENT: Board Members:

ABSTAIN: Board Members:

Andrew J. Morin, CHAIRMAN

ATTEST:

Christa Schmidt, BOARD SECRETARY

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