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MEMORANDUM

TO: Legal and Finance Committee

FROM: Kip Harrington, Planner III

DATE: November 6, 2019

RE: 19TP027 – Approve the Reconsideration to Authorize the Mayor and

Finance Officer to sign the Professional Services Agreement for the Sixth and Omaha Street Pedestrian and Bicycle Crossing Study and Sixth Street Promenade Corridor Master Plan with Felsburg Holt & Ullevig in an amount

not to exceed \$125,097.00.

Sixth Street in downtown Rapid City has developed into an important pedestrian and bicycle corridor, linking the Performing Arts Center at Rapid City High School to the Rushmore Plaza Civic Center. Other points of interest along Sixth Street include the Rapid City Public Library, Main Street Square, the Milo Barber Transportation Center, and the Promenade at Memorial Park.

While pedestrian and bicycle travel is easily accomplished along most of the corridor, the pedestrian and bicycle crossing at Sixth Street and Omaha Street (South Dakota Highway 44) has proven to be a barrier to pedestrians and bicyclists. The crossing has been reconfigured multiple times in the past in an effort to provide a safer and more inviting crossing.

With the recent development of the Promenade at Memorial Park and the planned expansion of the Rushmore Plaza Civic Center, the City of Rapid City has expressed a desire for a grade-separated crossing at Sixth Street and Omaha Street, as well as an improved pedestrian "promenade" corridor along the Sixth Street corridor, connecting the Performing Arts Center at Rapid City High School on the south end to the Rushmore Plaza Civic Center on the north end.

Felsburg Holt & Ullevig has been selected to perform the Sixth and Omaha Street Pedestrian and Bicycle Crossing Study and Sixth Street Promenade Corridor Master Plan.

Funding for this project is as follows:

FHWA Planning Funds (81.95%) \$102,516.99
Rapid City (18.05%) \$22,580.01
Total funds available \$125,097.00



STAFF RECOMMENDATION: Staff recommends authorizing the Mayor and the Finance Officer to sign the Professional Services Agreement for the Sixth and Omaha Street Pedestrian and Bicycle Crossing Study and Sixth Street Promenade Corridor Master Plan with Felsburg Holt & Ullevig in an amount not to exceed \$125,097.00