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MEMORANDUM

TO: Public Works Committee, Mayor Kooiker, City Council

FROM: Dale Tech PE/LS, City Engineer

SUBJECT: Consultant Selection exception for Phase 2 Mount Rushmore Road reconstruction

DATE: July 31, 2012

The City of Rapid City selected CETEC Engineering of Rapid City for the design of City utilities and beautification elements in conjunction with the South Dakota Department of Transportation's (SDDOT) reconstruction of Phase 1 (Cathedral to St. Pat) of Mount Rushmore Road which is scheduled for 2014.

Since the City selected CETEC for Phase 1 services, the SDDOT has moved up Phase 2 (St. Pat to Kansas City) of the project to 2015 and is currently working on the design of Phase 1 and Phase 2.

The original Request for Proposals for professional services for Phase 1 identified that subsequent phases of the project would require a new consultant selection.

Due to the change in schedule and the SDDOT's current design of the entire corridor, Engineering Services is requesting an exception to the Consultant Selection Policy to negotiate directly with CETEC Engineering for professional services for Phase 2 of the Mount Rushmore Road Project.

I believe this is in the best interest of the City for two primary reasons. First, it will take at least 60 days to proceed with another consultant selection for Phase 2 and the City would potentially be working with two consultants doing the same thing on the project. Second, the utility and beautification elements would be consistent between the two projects as CETEC has been involved with the project meetings and public input since the beginning where a new consultant would be beginning from square one.



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