

CITY COUNCIL AGENDA TOPIC

Resolution authorizing a professional services agreement with the Berger Partnership to provide architectural and engineering services to support Meydenbauer Bay Park Phase 2 development in the amount of \$1,583,075, plus all applicable taxes.

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Parks & Community Services

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY**ACTION**

This Resolution authorizes the execution of a professional services contract with the Berger Partnership for architectural and engineering services to provide schematic level design for Meydenbauer Bay Park Phase 2.

RECOMMENDATION

Move to adopt Resolution No. 10539

BACKGROUND/ANALYSIS

The City of Bellevue has a long-held vision of connecting the Meydenbauer Bay waterfront to Downtown Park, creating a signature park and waterfront destination. In 2010, the City Council adopted the Meydenbauer Bay Park and Land Use Plan setting that vision in motion toward creating a memorable waterfront park and connection to Downtown Bellevue – an exciting destination and beautiful experience for all Bellevue residents. The Meydenbauer Bay Park and Land Use Plan provides the guiding principles and intended development that is anticipated to occur over many years and many phases.

In 2019, the City completed Phase 1 construction of the Meydenbauer Bay Park Master Plan developing approximately 6.5 acres of the park west of 99th Avenue and the Marina.

At the May 13 Council meeting, Council reviewed the Meydenbauer Bay Park Master Plan phasing report, community engagement and feedback as well as the recommended next phase of Meydenbauer Bay Park Master Plan development. On June 3, Council provided direction to proceed with architectural design, engineering, permitting and construction of the recommended, community supported Meydenbauer Bay Park Phase 2 development. This next phase will include:

- improvements to the Main Street / 110th Ave intersection;
- the open Gateway Plaza at the corner of Main Street and 110th Avenue;
- new expanded parking on the Gateway and East Parcel areas;
- the Canopy Walk accessible-grade elevated path down the hill; and
- an interim pedestrian trail on the future Promenade area to connect the Gateway to the Phase 1 park area.

Of note, this next phase does not include changing the existing marina configuration, constructing the over-water Bay Connector elevated path, or restoration of the shoreline edge.

Consultant Selection and Scope of Work

The Architectural and Engineering consultant selection process is consistent with state and the City contracting policies involving an open and competitive selection process. The Berger Partnership was selected to assist the City with phasing, design, engineering and construction administration of Meydenbauer Bay Park Phase 2.

The Berger Partnership Team have successfully helped the City evaluate and determine the next phase of the park master plan. Their attention to detail, public engagement plan, innovative and cost-effective design ideas and collaboration with community and staff has been exceptional.

This scope of work will provide schematic level architectural and engineering services to support Phase 2 construction. Services will include graphic illustrations/site plans, narratives and studies to refine and inform continued public engagement, constructability, timelines and costs of Meydenbauer Bay Phase 2.

POLICY & FISCAL IMPACTS

Policy Impact

Bellevue Comprehensive Plan

PA-20 Support development of elements of the Grand Connection that provide spaces for gathering and recreation, such as the Meydenbauer Bay waterfront and a lid park over I-405, as well as connections to parks and greenways.

PA-43 Develop parks and facilities in a quality manner to assure attractiveness, full utilization and long-term efficiency.

UD-27. Encourage the development of the Grand Connection vision to create a unique, defining and signature experience for active transportation recognizing that the pedestrian experience and pedestrian safety take precedence over other modes.

Fiscal Impact

Awarding this bid will obligate the City to a contract of \$1,583,074.70, plus all applicable taxes. This project is funded through the 2025-2030 Capital Improvement Program (CIP Plan No. P-AD-104). Sufficient funds exist to complete this project.

OPTIONS

1. Adopt the Resolution authorizing a professional services agreement with the Berger Partnership to provide architectural and engineering services to support Meydenbauer Bay Park Phase 2 development in the amount of \$1,583,075, plus all applicable taxes.
2. Do not adopt the Resolution and provide alternative direction to staff.

ATTACHMENTS

- A. Vicinity Map

Proposed Resolution No. 10539

AVAILABLE IN COUNCIL LIBRARY

Berger Partnership Contract

Meydenbauer Bay Park Phasing Report (2025)

Meydenbauer Bay Park and Land Use Plan (2010)