

Recommendation re: Award of RFQ No. 3082 to Rodda Construction for Construction Manager at Risk Services to Construct a Dog Park at 145 N. Lake Avenue

The city has planned for a dog park on a 1.18-acre parcel located at the southeast corner of Rose Street and Lake Avenue in downtown Lakeland, across the street from Fire Station #1. The park was Quit-Claim Deeded to the City of Lakeland in 2021 from the Florida Department of Transportation.

The City's Purchasing Division issued RFQ No. 3082, March 23, 2023, to obtain qualification submittals from firms experienced in professional construction management with a guaranteed maximum price for the construction of the dog park.

One submittal was received from Rodda Construction, Inc. Purchasing issued an Intent to Award to Rodda Construction on May 26, 2023. Construction will consist of a 6' tall decorative fence, 6 entry gates, dog sculptures, boulder retaining walls, concrete sidewalks, specialty concrete, dog water fountain, dog waste station, dog wash station, benches, litter receptacles, rain garden and signage.

Funds for construction of the dog park are currently budgeted in the FY2023 Public Improvement Fund and the Downtown Community Redevelopment Agency (CRA). Project funding is as follows:

\$ 6,742	Public Improvement Fund - Community donations for a downtown dog park
50,000	Public Improvement Fund - P&R Impact Fees District 1
100,000	Public Improvement Fund (from the sale of land to The Joinery)
<u>\$126,155</u>	Downtown CRA Fund - Lake Mirror Promenade Maintenance
\$282,897	

The project will begin construction within 90 days of contract execution and will take approximately nine months to complete.

It is recommended that the City Commission authorize the appropriate City staff to award RFQ #3082 to Rodda Construction and execute a contract for a not to exceed price of \$282,897.

It is also recommended that the City Commission authorize an Appropriation and Increase in Estimated Revenues from the Downtown CRA to the Public Improvement Fund in the amount of \$126,155 so the project can be properly capitalized within the Public Improvement Fund.

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