

## CONSERVATION COMMITTEE REPORT

August 31, 2011

9:30-10:00 am

140 West Pine Street

**Members Present:** Marilyn Marler (chair), Pam Walzer, Bob Jaffe, Renee Mitchell, Dave Strohmaier, Dick Haines, Ed Childers, and Lyn Hellegaard

**Members Absent:** Jon Wilkins, Cynthia Wolken, Stacy Rye

**Others Present:** Dave Shaw

### I. ADMINISTRATIVE BUSINESS

#### A. Approve minutes. **none**

### II. FINAL CONSIDERATION AGENDA ITEMS

### III. CONSENT AGENDA ITEMS

1. Approve and authorize the Mayor to sign an amendment to the agreement with Territorial Landworks, Inc. (TLI) in an amount not to exceed \$16,544.72 for professional services, including engineering and surveying, for Project #PR 08-02 GCT, Grant Creek Trail, CTEP #STPE 8199(105). ([memo](#))—Regular Agenda (Dave Shaw) (Referred to committee: 08/22/11) (**REMOVE FROM AGENDA**)

**MOTION:** The committee recommends Council approve and authorize the Mayor to sign an amendment to the agreement with Territorial Landworks, Inc. (TLI) in an amount not to exceed \$16,544.72 for professional services, including engineering and surveying, for Project #PR 08-02 GCT, Grant Creek Trail, CTEP #STPE 8199(105).

This item was held over from last week as the committee members had questions related to the potential change to the trail and ran out of time to finish the discussion.

Pam – to summarize the purpose of the amendment is to have TLI investigate alternatives to the existing concept to the trail. The process will help determine which route is more cost effective and safe.

The alternative route is being investigated as the former owners of the National Wildlife Federation (NWF) requested additional terms for the easement on the NWF property. The terms would include building a wildlife friendly fence along the entire length of the NWF easement.

Other new information included the allowance by CTEP to use funds to re-align the road. This would eliminate the need for the NWF easement and the building of a bridge and boardwalk on the crossing.

TLI will look at feasibility, cost and safety for a new route that would stay in the right of way including cost to re-align the road. TLI will provide this information along with design documents and good cost estimates for the options. All this information will help determine if optional route is economically feasible.

It was moved to recommend approval and authorize the Mayor to sign the amendment to the agreement with Territorial Landworks. The vote was unanimous in favor of the motion.

### HELD IN COMMITTEE

1. Information on Trail Projects ([memo](#)).—Regular Agenda (Marilyn Marler) (Referred to committee: 08/23/2010)
2. Annual tree planting program update. ([memo](#))—Regular Agenda (Renee Mitchell) (Referred to committee: 01/24/11)
3. Discuss the city's strategy to complete a boundary survey of Greenough Park. ([memo](#))—Regular Agenda (Dave Strohmaier) (Referred to committee: 04/04/11)

**The meeting was adjourned at 10:00 am.**