

City of Coral Gables CITY COMMISSION MEETING April 26, 2022

ITEM TITLE:

Resolution.

A Resolution accepting the recommendation to waive the competitive process of the Procurement Code to secure Dover, Kohl & Partners for planning services for Biltmore Way public engagement as a special procurement/bid waiver, pursuant to Section 2-691 of the City's Procurement Code.

DEPARTMENT HEAD RECOMMENDATION:

Approval.

BRIEF HISTORY:

Under Section 2-691 of the Procurement Code, entitled "Special Procurement/Bid Waiver," a special procurement may be initiated when an unusual or unique situation exists that makes the application of all requirements of competitive sealed bidding or competitive sealed proposal contrary to the public interest.

The City Commission, with extensive input from the residents of Biltmore Way, has determined a need for greater public engagement to result in an improved streetscape design for the Biltmore Way corridor in order to beautify and better utilize the existing right-of-way. Dover, Kohl & Partners is best suited to provide a "Designing in Public" approach that yields a hands-on, immersive and visual experience. The Coral Gables-based firm is knowledgeable of local issues and specializes in merging design studio, policy-making, and town meetings into one seamless operation. Dover, Kohl & Partners provides design, consulting, illustration, and events involving the full spectrum of public and private stakeholders to devise a community's distinctive plan. This approach is best suited to the City's need for a comprehensive engagement of the public.

The cost to acquire the firm for the Biltmore Way streetscape project will not exceed \$110,000.00. The contract follows a substantially similar format as the Dover, Kohl & Partners' Flagler Section Community Vision project.

No.	Amount	Account No.	Source of Funds
1.	\$110,000.00	310-1500-559-63-00	Capital Project – Biltmore Way Streetscape Improvements
			Project string: c-bw-stscp.2-design.dsgn-gci
Total:	\$110,000.00	APPROVED BY:	

FINANCIAL INFORMATION:

EXHIBIT(S):

A. Draft Resolution.