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Mark Personius
Director

Memorandum

DATE: March 11, 2022

TO: The Honorable County Council

The Honorable County Executive

FROM: Cliff Strong, Senior Planner

THROUGH: Mark Personius, Director

RE: Contract Amendment Approval – Offsite Buffer Mitigation Program Feasibility Study

Request

Attached is a contract amendment for \$60,000. These funds will be used to continue Herrera Environmental Consultants, Inc.'s, work to provide consulting services to the County regarding preparation of an Offsite Buffer Mitigation Program Feasibility Study.

Background

This contract amendment expands the scope of work, timeline, and funding to complete the Offsite Buffer Mitigation Program Feasibility Study. The Study will examine the feasibility and options associated with creating an off-site critical areas buffer mitigation program. It will result in a feasibility report analyzing alternative approaches with pros and cons including anticipated costs and recommended approach for program development. A budget amendment of \$100,000 for Planning and Development Services to contract for this work was approved by Council on 3/22/22. Part 1 had a budget of \$40,000 and was approved and signed by the County Executive prior to the end of 2021. This is Part 2 for the remaining scope of work and budget (\$60,000).

Please contact Cliff Strong (x5942) if you have any questions.

Attachments:

- Contract Information Sheet
- Contract Amendment
- Part 2 Scope of Work
- Original Contract, including Part 1 Scope of Work