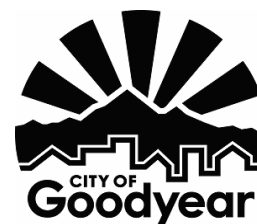


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CITY COUNCIL ACTION REPORT

SUBJECT: Court Security Improvements

STAFF PRESENTER(S): Crystal Whelan, Court Administrator
Walt Kinsler, CIP Manager

OTHER PRESENTER(S): none

Summary: Request City Council approval of FY2020 expenditure for all fees and costs associated with the design and construction for the Court Security Improvement project

Recommendation:

Approve expenditure authority up to \$1,384,000 for fees and costs for the completion of the Court Security Improvement Capital Improvement Project in FY2020.

Fiscal Impact: The total project budget for fiscal year 2020 is \$1,384,000 in general funds and covers all fees and costs for design, permitting, equipment, and construction of the Court Security Improvements.

Background and Previous Actions

The Arizona Supreme Court passed Administrative Order 2017-15 on February 8, 2017, mandating the adoption of Court Security Standards in all state Courts. In order for the City of Goodyear Municipal Court to ensure compliance with the standards, the following security updates are planned for completion by the summer of 2020: Adding several concrete bollards to further protect exposed locations around the outside of the Municipal Court building; develop a controlled access for in-custody transport area for defendants, referred to as a Sally Port; improve the safety of the jurors by removing windows in the Jury Room and filling the openings with brick imbeds; install card readers for Court staff to access of non-public areas; upgrade the existing surveillance system by adding several strategically placed cameras; upgrading the security screening station at the Court entryway and Court security guard station; obstruct clear vision into the building by applying security film to all exterior windows; replace existing transaction windows with ballistic acrylic baffle windows; install ballistic fiberglass panels and ballistic reinforcement material in the courtrooms; and provide a gated secured parking area for Court Staff. Per Resolution 08-1255, all expenditures of budgeted funds in excess of \$500,000 must obtain council approval. The Court and Engineering has conducted thorough analysis to

receive adequate CIP funding to support the current project scope and is ready to proceed with spending authority.

Staff Analysis

After completing a Court Security Study in FY19, the Court and Engineering has continuously worked with contractors and architects to fully scope and develop a robust plan for phased construction to address all mandated Court Security Improvements in a timely manner. To the greatest extent possible, the timing of the projects will be coordinated as to create the least impact possible to operations of the Court and Council sessions. This includes grouping various construction projects together for reasons of efficiency and resourcefulness, including scheduling outside of courthouse hours as necessary. Construction is projected to begin in March 2020 and end in August 2020.

Attachments

none