



MEMORANDUM

To: City Council
Mayor Bradburn
Matthew Huish

From: Nick Duerksen, Economic Development Director

Date: March 6, 2020

Re: Wetland Delineation Study

Sandy City contracted with Bowen, Collins & Associates in December 2011 to complete a wetland delineation study for the Dry Creek area of Sandy that would be accepted by the Army Corps of Engineers. This study also includes a wetland mitigation strategy for the Centennial Parkway wetlands. Jamie Tsandes, the Engineering Project Manager, with Bowen, Collins & Associates has been working with the Army Corps of Engineers on this project since its inception.

As the study progressed, the City acquired additional properties totaling approximately 8.24 acres located near the wetlands, commonly known as the Horman properties. The agreement was amended to include these properties in the study in April 2014.

Dry Creek is considered a flood control facility; therefore, a flood control permit with Salt Lake County is required. In addition, any impacts to Dry Creek require a stream alteration permit from the Army Corps of Engineers if the impact to the creek is more than 300 linear feet.

Any delay in the progress of this project would be detrimental to the completion and could also increase costs to the city. Having to bring another engineering firm up to speed and possibly resubmit with the Army Corps of Engineers would be a significant detriment to this project.

Continuing to contract the Professional Services of Bowen, Collins & Associates meets the criteria for an exception as outlined in the Professional Services section of the Sandy City Purchasing Ordinance under section 7-1-6 (9).

Under Purchasing Ordinance Section 7-1-6 (9), City Council may authorize the procurement of supplies, equipment and services without complying with the provisions of this chapter of the Purchasing Ordinance when it determines that compliance with the procedure is not in the best interests of the City. With Council approval of this request, this memo will be placed in the file. This memo, as required, details the reasons for not following the purchasing provisions, which would otherwise apply.

Thank you.

cc: Tyler Shelley, Public Utilities Chief Engineer