

**CITY OF HOMER
HOMER, ALASKA**

City Manager/
City Engineer

RESOLUTION 25-032

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF HOMER, ALASKA
AUTHORIZING THE ISSUANCE OF A TASK ORDER TO NELSON
ENGINEERING, PC IN THE AMOUNT OF \$63,412 TO PROVIDE
BIDDING AND CONSTRUCTION ASSISTANCE SERVICES FOR THE
OHLSON LANE W BUNNELL AVENUE ROADWAY & WATER
IMPROVEMENT PROJECT AND AUTHORIZING THE CITY MANAGER
TO NEGOTIATE AND EXECUTE THE APPROPRIATE DOCUMENTS.

WHEREAS, Nelson Engineering, PC was the design engineer for the above-referenced
project; and

WHEREAS, Bid documents were first publicly advertised February 27, 2025 and bidding
closed on April 8, 2025; and

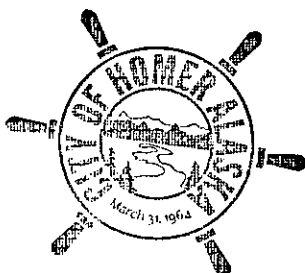
WHEREAS, Bidding and construction assistance were not part of Nelson Engineering's
original design scope of work; and

WHEREAS, It is necessary for Nelson Engineering, PC to be available to answer bidder
questions, revise plans, answer design questions, review submittals, prepare record drawings
and submit permit applications; and

WHEREAS, Nelson Engineering, PC provided a proposal for bidding and construction
assistance services in the amount of \$63,412.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the City Council of Homer, Alaska hereby
authorizes a task order for bidding and construction assistance services for the Ohlson Lane
West Bunnell Avenue Roadway & Water Improvement Project to Nelson Engineering, PC in the
amount of \$63,412 and authorizes the City Manager to negotiate and execute the appropriate
documents.

PASSED AND ADOPTED by the Homer City Council this 14th day of April, 2025.



CITY OF HOMER


RACHEL LORD, MAYOR

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RENEE KRAUSE, CITY CLERK

Fiscal Note: Ordinance 24-61



MEMORANDUM

Resolution 25-032, A Resolution of the City Council of Homer, Alaska Authorizing the Issuance of a Task Order to Nelson Engineering, PC in the amount of \$63,412 for Bidding and Construction Assistance Services for the Ohlson Lane and W. Bunnell Avenue Road Reconstruction Project.

Item Type: Backup Memorandum
Prepared For: Mayor Lord and City Council
Date: April 9, 2025
From: Leon Galbraith, P.E., City Engineer
Through: Melissa Jacobsen, City Manager

Summary:

This Resolution serves to authorize a task order to Nelson Engineering, PC for bidding and construction assistance for the Ohlson Ln. and W. Bunnell Ave. Roadway & Water Improvement Project.

Background:

This project began with a design and study by Nelson Engineering in 2023 which recommended that Public Works Department reconstruct the subgrade for Ohlson Lane and West Bunnell Avenue. According to the 100% engineer's construction cost estimate, the total cost will be approximately \$2,559,149.

The project additionally replaces the water main on the affected roads as well as construct storm sewer in conjunction with the new curb to alleviate local stormwater issues. The water main is being replaced because it is an approximately 60-year old cast iron pipe that is near the end of its service life and is prone to failure. Reconstructing the roadway offers a unique opportunity to replace the aging infrastructure as part of one effort, thereby avoiding digging up the newly constructed road to make future repairs or replace the pipe. The storm sewer portion of the project will replace some aging drainage piping and improve storm drainage issues in this neighborhood as well as to accommodate the projects new street design.

Bidding and construction assistance services were not a part of Nelson's original scope of work. Nelson submitted a proposal to perform this new work on March 25, 2025 for \$63,412. The proposed scope of work included responding to answering questions during bidding, RFIs/DCVRs, review of submittals, attendance at construction meetings, limited on-site inspections, preparation of as-built drawings and permit submittals.

Enough funds are budgeted to the project to absorb the cost of the bidding and construction assistance services. Ordinance 24-24 appropriated \$90,000 from the Water CARMA Fund to complete the design of the new water main. Then, Ordinance 24-61 appropriated \$2,000,000 from the HART Roads Fund for construction of the project. Ordinance 25-21 later appropriated \$300,000 from the

Water CARMA Fund for construction of the new water main. Ordinance 25-28 then unappropriated \$268,605 from the HART Roads Fund, leaving \$1,731,395 in remaining money from HART Roads. Additionally, the City is receiving \$491,400 in principle forgiveness for the water main replacement and \$324,000 in principle forgiveness for the construction of storm drain from the ADEC's State Revolving Loan Program. The total project funding from all sources is \$2,936,795. Of this, \$67,501 has been spent completing the project design, leaving \$2,869,294. Assuming construction expenses match current estimates, we will be left with at least approximately \$310,145 to work with, which exceeds the value of Nelson's services proposal.

Recommendation:

Public Works recommends approval of Resolution 25-032 and authorize a task order to Nelson Engineering, PC in the amount of \$63,412 for bidding and construction assistance services for the Ohlson Lane West Bunnell Avenue Roadway & Water Improvement Project.