

## CITY of NOVI CITY COUNCIL

Agenda Item H December 21, 2015

SUBJECT: Approval to award additional material testing and geotechnical services to Soil & Materials Engineers for the 2015 Neighborhood Road projects in the amount of \$20,277.

SUBMITTING DEPARTMENT: Department of Public Services, Engineering Division 870

## CITY MANAGER APPROVAL:

| EXPENDITURE REQUIRED | \$ 20,277          |
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| AMOUNT BUDGETED      | \$ 20,277          |
| LINE ITEM NUMBER     | 203-203.00-805.435 |

## BACKGROUND INFORMATION:

In accordance with the Agreement for Geotechnical Engineering Consultant Services for Public Projects that was approved by City Council at the June 16, 2014 regular meeting, Soil & Materials Engineers (SME) was selected to provide construction phase material testing services for the 2015 Neighborhood Road Program. The original contract amount was under \$15,000 and was awarded administratively.

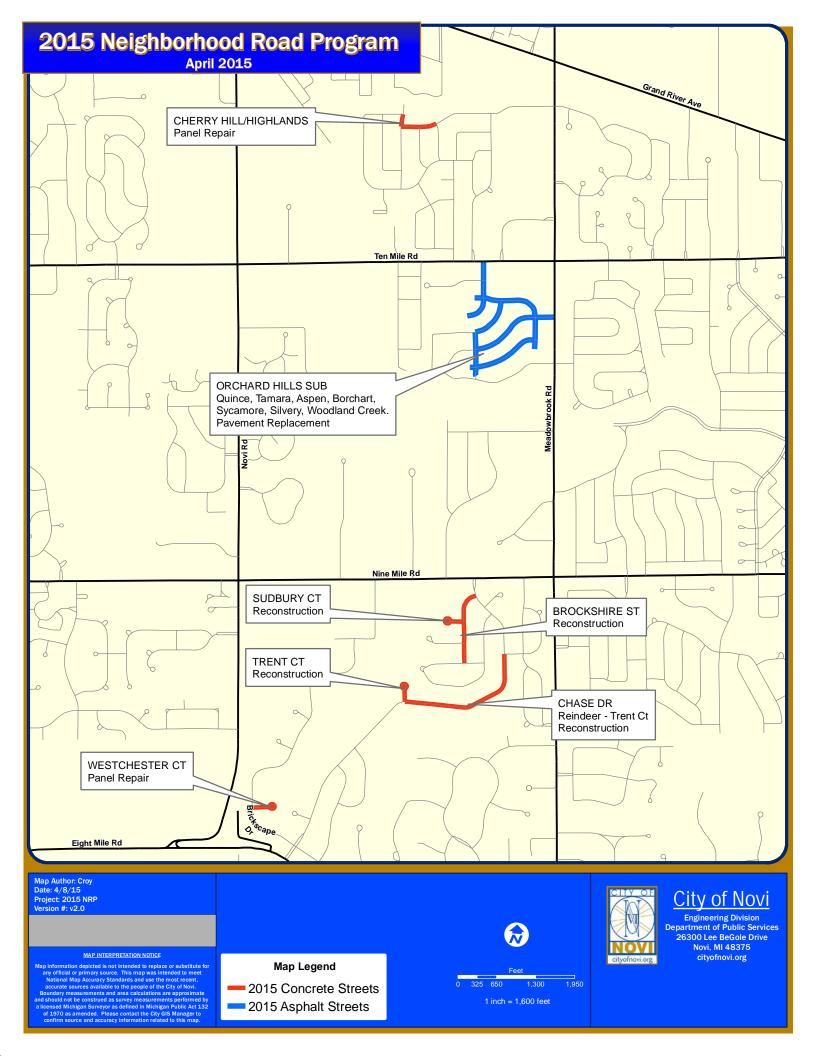
As the work proceeded, staff became aware that additional material testing would be required and worked with the consultant to develop the updated fee estimate. The material testing work is necessary to ensure that the specifications are being met by the contractor, resulting in a quality product that performs as designed.

Staff recommends the award of an additional \$20,277 of material testing for some work performed to date and for work to complete the 2015 Neighborhood Road Program in the spring.

RECOMMENDED ACTION: Approval to award additional material testing and geotechnical services to Soil & Materials Engineers for the 2015 Neighborhood Road projects in the amount of \$20,277.

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| Mayor Gatt           |   |   |   |   |
| Mayor Pro Tem Staudt |   |   |   |   |
| Council Member Burke |   |   |   |   |
| Council Member Casey |   |   |   |   |

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RE: Construction Materials Services Novi Neighborhood Streets Project

> City of Novi, Michigan SME Project 069616.11

Dear Mr. Coburn:

This letter confirms our understanding of the field services required for the Neighborhood Streets paving project in the City of Novi. Our schedules of fees to provide these services are included with the proposal for Geotechnical Engineering and Consultant Services dated February 12, 2014. This project consists of the paving of several neighborhood streets including Brockshire, Chase and Westchester Court. We have spoken to the field rep from OHM who indicated that the project is approximately 75% complete, with the remainder of the project to be completed next spring.

Our services for this project have consisted of performing proofroll evaluations of the subgrade soils, performing density tests on the engineered fills and aggregate base materials and performing field tests on the plastic concrete and molding cylinders for compressive strength testing of the concrete. Our services to date have consisted of the following:

- 15 site visits to perform to perform proofroll evaluations of the subgrade soils
- 16 site visits to perform in-place density tests on the fill and aggregate base and perform testing of the concrete
- Molding and testing of 81 concrete cylinders
- 2 laboratory Proctor tests

Our fees to date are approximately \$25,000. Additionally, we anticipate providing similar services next spring, when construction of the project is to be completed. Since OHM has indicated the project is approximately 75% complete, we recommend a budget of \$35,000 be established to cover our fees for the work performed this year, along with the remainder of the work to be completed next year.

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If you have any questions regarding this letter, please contact us.

Yours very truly,

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