

Takoma Park City Council Meeting – June 8, 2016 Agenda Item 2A

Voting Session (Consent Agenda)

Single Reading Ordinance Authorizing Contracted Services for Website Development

Recommended Council Action

Adopt ordinance awarding contract to Ignition 72 for Phase II website development

Context with Key Issues

The current version ("Phase I") of takomaparkmd.gov represents over 18 months of work toward overhauling and improving the City's web presence. Phase I work culminated in the November 2015 launch of the new website. The new website represents a shift to a more data driven and iterative style of website development and offers us the ability to turn the website into an industry leading communications platform.

We now intend to start planned Phase II work. Phase II work will entail the addition of features that were beyond the scope of initial website development and address feedback about user experiences and website analytic data.

While staff makes improvements to the website on a day-to-day basis, we also hope to periodically overhaul certain components over time to keep up with trends and best practices. Phase II represents the next major step in that direction.

Council Priority

Responsive & Service-oriented Government

Environmental Impact of Action

Using the City website as a means of communicating with stakeholders allows us to reduce our use of paper and the environmental impacts of delivery of paper materials.

Fiscal Impact of Action

The contracted Phase II website development work will cost up to \$14,000. The funds were appropriated for this purpose in the FY 2016 budget. The vendor is sole source, as the work will be performed by the company that designed the website.

Attachments and Links

- Ordinance Authorizing Contracted Service for Phase II of Website Development
- Link to October 13, 2014 Ordinance awarding contract for redevelopment of website: <u>http://documents.takomaparkmd.gov/government/city-council/ordinances/2014/ordinance-2014-53.pdf</u>

CITY OF TAKOMA PARK, MARYLAND ORDINANCE NO. 2016-

AWARD OF CONTRACT FOR PHASE II WEBSITE DEVELOPMENT

- WHEREAS, the City launched a new website in November 2015; and
- WHEREAS, the new website was designed to enhance the user interface and experience, make it more accessible on mobile-devices, and to work towards compliance with ADA/508 guidelines; and
- WHEREAS, Phase II website development will entail the addition of features that were beyond the scope of initial website development and address feedback about user experiences and website analytic data
- WHEREAS, staff recommends that the City contract with Ignition72 for Phase II website development; and
- WHEREAS, funding for the project is included in the FY 2016 budget.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF TAKOMA PARK, MARYLAND THAT:

SECTION 1. The City Manager is authorized to enter into a contract with Ignition72 for Phase II website development.

SECTION 2. This Ordinance shall become effective upon adoption.

Adopted this _____day of _____, 2016 by roll-call vote as follows.

AYE: NAY: ABSTAIN: ABSENT: