## CITY OF TAKOMA PARK, MARYLAND ORDINANCE NO. 2017-56

## AUTHORIZING THE EXECUTION OF A CONTRACT FOR SERVICES TO AUGMENT THE TRAFFIC STUDY FOR THE TAKOMA JUNCTION REDEVELOPMENT

- WHEREAS, the Takoma Junction Redevelopment Project provides the City Council with an opportunity to further evaluate long standing traffic concerns at the intersection of Carroll, Ethan Allen and Sycamore Avenues and the potential impact of the planned project on traffic patterns, and
- WHEREAS, the Maryland State Highway Administration (SHA) has, as recently as November 2016, commissioned engineering studies to identify options for mitigating delays at this intersection and that the Montgomery County development review process will require Neighborhood Development Company (NDC) to complete a traffic study to evaluate the specific impact of its project on vehicular traffic; and
- WHEREAS, the scope of services for the planned traffic study includes: 1) a determination of the level of cut-through traffic from Carroll Avenue and Ethan Allen Avenue at various intersections; 2) an intersection capacity analysis at Carroll and Flower Avenues, Ethan Allen and Carroll Avenues, Ethan Allen and Sycamore Avenues, Carroll and Philadelphia Avenues, and Philadelphia and Maple Avenues; 3) a review of the intersection options presented by SHA District 3 in 2015 and 2016 and an evaluation of their potential impact on anticipated traffic; 4) development of preliminary design concepts for reconfiguration of the intersections of Carroll and Ethan Allen Avenues, Ethan Allen and Sycamore Avenues, and Carroll and Grant Avenues; and 5) the development of preliminary design concepts for incorporation of bike and pedestrian safety improvements along Ethan Allen and Carroll Avenues and the identification of options for the possible relocation of existing bus stops; and
- WHEREAS, the Housing and Community Development Department solicited proposals for professional services required to undertake this analysis from a minimum of three engineering firms in accordance with Takoma Park Code Chapter 7.08.070(B); and
- WHEREAS, the scope of services to be provided by A. Morton Thomas and Associates, Inc. under this contract meet the identified needs of the City; and
- WHEREAS, the City's five-year Capital Improvement Program (CIP) includes a variety of infrastructure projects, including the undertaking of the described traffic study; and
- WHEREAS, sufficient funds are available in the City's FY18 budget to cover the anticipated cost of services to be provided by A. Morton Thomas and Associates, Inc.

## 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 A. Morton Thomas and Associates, Inc. for services required to complete the described traffic study at a cost of thirty four thousand four dollars (\$34,004.00).

SECTION 2. This Ordinance shall become effective upon adoption.

ADOPTED this 20<sup>th</sup> day of November, 2017 by roll-call vote as follows:

AYE: Stewart, Kovar, Dyballa, Kostiuk, Seamens, Smith, Searcy

NAY: None ABSTAIN: None ABSENT: None