

**CITY OF TAKOMA PARK, MARYLAND**

**ORDINANCE 2023-9**

**AUTHORIZING EXECUTION OF A CONTRACT FOR DESIGN AND ENGINEERING SERVICES FOR THE MAPLE AVENUE CONNECTIVITY PROJECT**

WHEREAS, the City of Takoma Park was awarded \$304,000.00 from the Maryland Department of Transportation’s Kim Lamphier Bikeways program to complete final design work for the Maple Avenue Connectivity Project; and

WHEREAS, the City provides a match of \$76,000.00 for design and engineering services for the project; and

WHEREAS, the complete proposed project will extend along Maple Avenue from Sligo Creek Parkway to the boundary line with Washington, DC; and

WHEREAS, the City was awarded funding for preliminary designs in 2020 by the Metropolitan Washington Council of Governments Transportation and Land Use Connections Program; and

WHEREAS, 30 percent designs for the Maple Avenue Connectivity Project were completed by Toole Design Group in May 2021; and

WHEREAS, the proposed project will create robust bikeway options and include a bike/pedestrian upgrade to the bridge crossing Sligo Creek. The project will improve connections to the Sligo Creek Trail, two Capital Bikeshare stations, three schools, the City Building and library, and the Takoma Metro Station; and

WHEREAS, final designs and engineering are necessary prior to the project’s eventual construction; and

WHEREAS, the City put out a Request for Proposals, received two submissions, and evaluated the proposals; and

WHEREAS, the Housing and Community Development Department recommends the execution of a contract with Rummell, Klepper, & Kahl, LLP (RK&K) to complete this phase of the project; and

WHEREAS, sufficient funds for the proposed project budget are budgeted in FY24.

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

SECTION 1: The City Manager or their designee is hereby authorized to enter into an agreement with RK&K for services related to the design and engineering of the Maple Avenue Connectivity Project at a cost of Three Hundred Eighty Thousand Dollars (\$380,000).

SECTION 2: This ordinance shall become effective immediately.

ADOPTED this 17th day of May 2023 by roll call votes as follows:

AYE: Searcy, Fulcher, Dyballa, Gibson, Seamens, Honzak, Small

NAY: None

ABSTAIN: None

ABSENT: None