**Subject:**
A resolution to authorize a contract amendment and the payment of an additional $175,950.00 to Nelson/Nygaard Consulting Associates, and to expand its scope of services, to assist the City with its responsibilities to the Arkansas Department of Transportation I-30 Crossing Project.

**Submitted By:**
Planning & Development Department

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**SYNOPSIS**
To authorize an amendment to the existing contract with Nelson/Nygaard Consulting Associates, Inc., to assist the City with its responsibilities to the Arkansas Department of Transportation during the I-30 Crossing Project.

**FISCAL IMPACT**
Contract amendment is for an additional $175,950.00, and are available through the General Fund.

**RECOMMENDATION**
Approval of the resolution.

**BACKGROUND**
In 2016, the City entered into a contract with Nelson/Nygaard to assist with a comprehensive review of the I-30 Crossing Project and to help the City make recommendations as to actions that should be taken. The initial contract approved was for $75,770.00, via Little Rock, Ark., Resolution No. 14,288 (February 16, 2016). Now the Arkansas Department of Transportation (ArDOT) is to engage in the design build process for this project, and additional services are needed.
BACKGROUND CONTINUED
Among other things, there will be a need to prepare an Interagency Agreement between the City and ArDOT. The City needs to be aware and involved to the appropriate extent with the contractor selection process, contract review, and design of the project. With all of the background work that Nelson/Nygaard has done for the City, the most efficient way to approach the situation is to amend the current agreement. This resolution accomplishes that amendment.

The contract requirements include work sessions with ArDOT on the preparation of an interagency agreement and design approach; review and comments on the ArDOT Design Build Request for Proposal; assistance to the City on how best to support the process; and, to articulate the City’s reviews as to what the final project plans should be.