



Legislation Text

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Consider approval of a contract change order in excess of \$50,000 for the design services needed for the Garbers Church Road Shared Use Path project

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The Garbers Church Road Shared Use Path project began as an initiative to connect schools, parks, and residential neighborhoods on the southwest side of the City. On September 6, 2016 the Public Works department awarded the design services contract to VHB Engineering for the Garbers Church Road Shared Use Path. This initial award was for complete design services associated with the original alignment of the shared use path, which connected Bluestone Elementary to Harrisonburg High School, then bisected privately owned property to connect to Hillandale Park. From Hillandale Park is trailed along an existing power line easement to Wyndham Drive, where it terminated at the cul-de-sac. Following the design public hearing for this original alignment it was determined that this route was not feasible due to property owner concerns and challenges in right of way or easement acquisition.

Therefore, the Public Works in partnership with the Parks and Recreation Department explored alternative route options, that could utilize existing City owned property. A revised alignment was able determined feasible.