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## Kalispell seeks firms to advise on design for downtown trail

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KALISPELL, Mont. — The city of Kalispell is working on its next step for the long-awaited Kalispell Trail.

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The project has an estimated cost of \$4 million.

The city is on a nationwide search for qualified firms that can advise them on analysis and design.

Officials released a request for qualifications last week. Firms now have until Feb. 22 to submit a statement of qualifications.

“The vision for this trail has already been that it's more than just a little path through the city, that it really is a gathering place and a promenade through the city and connecting people with the built environment,” said Katharine Thompson, the city’s assistant director of community development.

The city is looking at features like Wi-Fi, night lighting, park benches and trees for the trail.

They’re hoping to begin construction on the trail in 2020.