Thursday, June 21, 2007

Neighborhood Planning & Zoning RECOMMENDATION FOR COUNCIL ACTION

Item No. 17

Subject: Authorize negotiation and execution of a settlement agreement with Hill Country Electric Supply for goods and services in the amount of \$99,297.92.

Amount and Source of Funding: Funding is available in the Fiscal Year 2006-2007 Capital Budget of the Neighborhood Planning and Zoning Department from 1998 General Obligation (GO) Bond funds.

Fiscal Note: A fiscal note is attached.

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Prior Council Action: 10/25/04 - The City Council approved a contract with Hill Country Electric Supply for the Great Street streetlights and traffic signal poles.

In July 2004, the Transportation, Planning and Sustainability Department issued an Invitation for Bid (IFB) for new Great Streets streetlights and traffic signal poles for the downtown area. The IFB required the selected Contractor to develop engineered drawings based on a conceptual design developed through the Great Street Master Plan and to manufacture a prototype streetlight and signal pole for review and approval by the City.

City Council approved a contract in the amount of \$1,313,031.00 with Hill Country Electric Supply on October 25, 2004.

The Contractor delivered the prototype poles in October 2005. After reviewing the prototype poles, staff determined that numerous deficiencies warranted cancellation of the contract. The proposed settlement agreement, in the amount of \$99,297.92, is intended to provide a reasonable and fair reimbursement to the Contractor as subcontractors for design, engineering and manufacturing services incurred in the production of the prototype poles.