

AGENDA



Thursday, January 31, 2008

**Public Works
RECOMMENDATION FOR COUNCIL ACTION****Item No. 50**

Subject: Authorize execution of a construction contract with EAS CONTRACTING, LP of Carrollton, Texas for Austin-Bergstrom International Airport Airfield Lighting Improvements and Airfield Pavement Rehabilitation in the amount of \$6,061,369 plus a \$300,000 contingency, for a total contract amount not to exceed \$6,361,369.

Amount and Source of Funding: Funding is available in the Fiscal Year 2007-2008 Capital Budget of the Aviation Department.

For More Information: Tony Krauss 974-7138, Robin Field 974-7064.

Purchasing Language: One bid received.

MBE/WBE: This contract will be awarded in compliance with the requirements of 49 CFR Part 26 (Disadvantaged Business Enterprise Program) and Chapter 2-9A of the City Code (Minority Owned and Women Owned Business Enterprise Procurement Program) by meeting the goal with 11.43% DBE subcontractor participation.

Boards and Commission Action: Recommended by the Austin Airport Advisory Commission.

Prior Council Action: April 7, 2005 - Approved a request for professional services contract with URS CORPORATION, A NEVADA CORPORATION.

Austin-Bergstrom International Airport is the first airport built under the Base Realignment and Closure Commission. Airport planners utilized Bergstrom's existing 12,250 foot runway and added a second, parallel 9,000 foot runway. Air cargo carriers began flying from the 12,250 foot runway at the new airport on June 30, 1997 and passenger operations began in 1999 with the current lighting and paving facilities. The deterioration of the lighting and paving systems since 1999 has reached a point where both need upgrading and rehabilitation to maintain airport operations.

The purpose of this project is to upgrade and modernize the airfield lighting system and to provide rehabilitative repairs and improvements to the airfield pavement system. Due to the potential for unknown subsurface conditions, possible utility conflicts during construction and the possible discovery of unknown electrical and lighting issues, a 4.94% contingency in funding has been included to allow for the expeditious processing of any future change orders.

The contract allows 398 calendar days for final completion of this project.