

Thursday, March 20, 2008

Public Works RECOMMENDATION FOR COUNCIL ACTION

Item No. 20

Subject: Authorize negotiation and execution of a design build agreement with HARVEY–CLEARY BUILDERS, INC., Austin, TX, for design-build services for the design and construction of the Public Safety Training Facility, in an amount not to exceed \$14,000,000.

Amount and Source of Funding: Funding is available in the 2007-2008 Capital Budget of the Financial and Administrative Services Department.

Fiscal Note: A fiscal note is attached.

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Purchasing Language: Best qualification statement of five received.

MBE/WBE: This contract will be awarded in compliance with Chapter 2-9B of the City Code (Minority Owned and Women Owned Business Enterprise Procurement Program) by meeting the goals with 23.93% MBE and 14.34% WBE subcontractor participation.

Prior Council Action: June 21, 2007: Design/Build contracting method approved.

The work consists of the design and construction of new building structures and exterior training facilities, the redesign and reconstruction of existing building structures, exterior training areas and related site infrastructure improvements for the Austin Police Departments (APD), Austin Fire Department (AFD) and Emergency Medical Services (EMS) training facility. The work also includes the design and bid document preparation of a Rifle Range and the adjacent Driving Track. The construction for these two elements will be offered for bid by the City of Austin and a separate contract will be awarded. The construction coordination of these elements will also be done by the successful offeror.

Design-build services will include both design phase services and construction phase services. Design phase services for this project include preliminary design, design development, construction documents preparation, constructability reviews, value engineering analysis, cost estimating, schedule evaluation, development of a safety program and quality assurance plan, site security and environmental controls, permitting, and Minority and Women Owned Business Enterprise (MBE/WBE) subcontractor outreach.

Construction phase services include on-site management, superintendence, administration, procuring bonds and insurance, temporary utility and sanitary services, procurement of subcontractors, building construction, site work, and coordinating work of other owner contractors.

Other services include project reporting, partnering and other duties and responsibilities as set out in the Design Criteria Manual, Agreement and General Conditions of the Contract. Approximately \$14,000,000 is budgeted for design and construction services.

This request allows for the development of a design-build agreement with the recommended firm. Should the City be unsuccessful in negotiating a satisfactory agreement with the recommended firm, negotiations will cease with that firm. Staff will then return to Council and request authorization to begin negotiations with the alternate recommendation listed below.