Thursday, May 15, 2008

Contract and Land Management RECOMMENDATION FOR COUNCIL ACTION

Item No. 6

Subject: Authorize execution of a construction contract with MUNIZ CONCRETE AND CONTRACTING, INC. (MBE/MH 85.25%), Austin, TX for ADA Sidewalk & Ramp Improvements 2007 Group 6 in the amount of \$904,913 plus a \$90,491 contingency, for a total contract amount not to exceed \$995,404.

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

Fiscal Note: A fiscal note is attached.

MBE/WBE: This contract will be awarded in compliance with Chapter 2-9A of the City Code (Minority Owned and Women Owned Business Enterprise Procurement Program) by meeting the goals with 3.34% MBE and 2.57% WBE subcontractor participation.

As part of the City's ongoing effort to comply with the directives of the Federal Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA), the Public Works Department has developed more efficient and cost effective methods for sidewalk and curb ramp construction. The City also recognizes that improved and expanded pedestrian facilities are a frequently requested infrastructure improvement from the public at large. The projects proposed for construction under this initiative have been previously approved by the following methods: Child Safety Program sidewalks or 2006 Bond-funded sidewalk repair.

The construction method chosen to deliver the initiatives is an Indefinite Delivery/Indefinite Quantity (IDIQ) contract. The IDIQ contract documents include engineered details, specifications, project locations currently identified and estimated total quantities of work. As each project location is further defined, a specific "work assignment" is given to the Contractor and they complete the scope of work for the unit prices included in the Contract. This contracting method also allows for the flexibility of adding projects based on priorities designated by the City.

The purpose of the Contract is to have a Contractor available to complete pedestrian and accessibility projects on a unit price basis. The projects are located throughout the City.

The contract is for an estimated period of six months. Each work assignment must be finally completed within the duration established by the OWNER for each assignment. The OWNER will consult with the CONTRACTOR on each assignment's duration, but OWNER will have ultimate discretion on duration which shall not be unreasonably stipulated.