Thursday, July 23, 2009

## Contract and Land Management RECOMMENDATION FOR COUNCIL ACTION

Item No. 28

**Subject:** Authorize execution of a construction contract with AUSTIN FILTER SYSTEMS, INC., Austin, TX, for the Roy G. Guerrero Colorado River Park Rebid in the amount of \$4,895,804.82 plus a \$489,580.18 contingency, for a total contract amount not to exceed \$5,385,385.

**Amount and Source of Funding:** Funding is available in the Fiscal Year 2008-2009 Capital Budget of the Parks and Recreation Department.

Fiscal Note: A fiscal note is attached.

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Purchasing Language: Lowest bid of seven (7) bids received.

**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 11.02% MBE and 3.03% WBE subcontractor participation.

The Roy G. Guerrero Colorado River Park is located between Pleasant Valley Road and Montopolis Drive, with access by the public from Grove Boulevard. Funding for the project was approved in the 1998 Bond referendum. A series of public meetings were held, resulting in a Master Plan for the Colorado River Park Development which was approved by various stakeholders, neighborhood committees, and the Parks Board. The project was placed on hold in 2003 due to the economic down turn; it was reactivated in 2006. The initial bids were rejected in 2008 due to MBE/WBE non-compliance. The project was re-bid in March 2009.

The project will include two multi-use sports fields (bid alternate 1), open areas, parking, driveways, lighting, a group picnic plaza and pavilion, a memorial to Roy G. Guerrero, trails, playscape, restroom facilities, drainage improvements, and public art. These improvements will expand the recreational facilities of the park and provide a benefit to citizens of all ages and persons with disabilities.

This bid package combined three design packages: the main park development by RVi, the playscape area designed by PARD Landscape Architectural Staff, and the drainage improvements designed by Raymond Chan & Associates.

Due to the inherent complexity of combining the various project elements, a 10% contingency is requested to support the expeditious processing of any necessary change orders.

The contract allows 365 calendar days for construction.