

AGENDA



Thursday, September 24, 2009

Contract and Land Management
RECOMMENDATION FOR COUNCIL ACTION

Item No. 27

Subject: Authorize execution of a construction contract with RODRIGUEZ BARR, INC. dba THE BARR COMPANY, (WBE/FH, 55.57%), Austin, TX, for the McBeth Recreation Center Improvements Project in the amount of \$502,800 plus a \$25,140 contingency, for a total contract amount not to exceed \$527,940.

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.

For More Information: Robert Egan 974-7220; Donna Bohls 974-9473; Robin Field 974-5173; April Thedford 974-7141

Purchasing Language: Lowest bid of six (6) 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) through the achievements of Good Faith Efforts with 4.14% MBE and 3.09% WBE subcontractor participation.

In July 1998, the Austin City Council authorized acquisition of approximately 4.13 acres from the Knights of Columbus State Headquarters Corporation for parks and recreational purposes. This included a one-story facility of approximately 2,941 square feet. This site was initially intended to expand the adaptive programs of the adjoining Danny G. McBeth Recreation Center. Due to the loss of administrative office space for the Park Police Division when the Junior Chamber of Commerce building was demolished for the construction of Butler Park, the Park Police, now a part of the Austin Police Department, have used this building.

As part of Proposition 3 in the 2006 Bond Election, the voters of Austin approved improvements to this facility. The project renovations will bring the facility into compliance with the Americans with the Disabilities Act (ADA) and to make it more suitable for recreation and leisure programs. Many users of the facility are individuals with special needs and require adaptive accommodations to participate in leisure activities. Renovations to this facility will include restroom modifications, energy efficient lighting and the replacement of the existing HVAC system with a more energy efficient model.

Due to the potential for unknown conditions, particularly in regard to wastewater and septic tank issues, a 5% contingency in funding has been included to allow for the expeditious processing of any future change orders.

The contract allows 120 calendar days for completion of this project.

The prime contractor is a WBE/FH certified firm with 55.57% participation and with 4.14% MBE and 3.09% WBE subcontractor participation for this award.