Thursday, September 24, 2009

Contract and Land Management RECOMMENDATION FOR COUNCIL ACTION

Item No. 23

Subject: Authorize execution of a construction contract with ASD CONSULTANTS, INC. (MBE/MB 67.93%) Austin, TX, for the Austin Fire Department Locker Room Additions, Phase IV in the amount of \$600,889 plus a \$60,088 contingency, for a total contract amount not to exceed \$660,977.

Amount and Source of Funding: Funding is available in the Fiscal Year 2008-2009 Capital Budget of the Austin Fire Department.

Fiscal Note: A fiscal note is attached.

For More Information: Robin A. Camp 974-7830; Robin Field 974-7064; April Thedford 974-7141

Purchasing Language: Lowest bid of five (5) 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 0.00% MBE and 0.57% WBE subcontractor participation.

The Austin Fire Department has developed a program to provide equal facilities for women and men firefighters at all fire stations. Women's locker room facilities have been upgraded at eleven fire stations as part of the previous three phases of this program. This project is the fourth phase of the program.

This project will consist of new additions to seven existing fire stations. All work will follow sustainability guidelines. The project consists of adding a small foundation, plumbing, air conditioning, electrical, framing and roofing with exterior materials in keeping with each existing building. This will add Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) accessible shower, dressing and restroom facilities to be used by female personnel at each of the following Fire Stations (FS):

FS#17- 4128 South First Street, FS#28- 2410 W. Parmer Lane, FS#29- 3704 Deer Lane, FS#30- 1021 West Braker Lane, FS#31- 5507 RR 2222, FS#32- 2804 Montebello, FS#33- 9409 Bluegrass.

Due to the potential for unknown conditions and conflicts when working in an existing building, a 10% contingency in funding has been included to allow for the expeditious processing of any change orders.

The contract allows 280 calendar days for substantial completion of this project.

The prime contractor is a MBE/MB certified firm with 67.93% participation and with 0.57% WBE subcontractor participation for this award.