

AGENDA



Thursday, December 17, 2009

**Contract and Land Management
RECOMMENDATION FOR COUNCIL ACTION**

Item No. 33

Subject: Authorize execution of a construction contract with SMITH CONTRACTING CO., INC, Austin, TX for Second Street Phase 2, Colorado Street to Congress Avenue in the amount of \$2,859,040 plus a \$285,904 contingency, for a total contract amount not to exceed \$3,144,944.

Amount and Source of Funding: Funding is available in the Fiscal Year 2009-2010 Capital Budget of the Planning and Development Review Department.

Fiscal Note: A fiscal note is attached.

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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) by meeting the goals with 10.78% MBE and 4.23% WBE subcontractor participation.

This roadway reconstruction project is the second phase of the Second Street District Streetscape Improvement Project that will implement Great Streets improvements to enhance retail and civic activity on Second Street. This phase includes the reconstruction of Second Street from Colorado Street to Congress Avenue and reconstruction of Colorado Street from West Cesar Chavez Street to 3rd Street. The work consists of full depth reconstruction with asphalt, new curbs and gutters, new sidewalk and ramps, storm sewer realignment, utility adjustments and pavement markings.

The installation of the new sidewalks will result in permanent lane reductions on Second Street from Congress Avenue to San Antonio Street to one lane east bound and one lane westbound with parallel parking on the north side. The new sidewalks will be 18 feet wide on the north side and 32 feet wide on the south side to support pedestrian and retail-oriented businesses from Colorado Street to Congress.

Due to the potential for unknown subsurface conditions and utility conflicts when working in the right of way and the time critical deadline for completion, a 10% contingency in funding has been included to allow for the expeditious processing of any change orders. The contract allows 270 calendar days for completion of this project.