

## **MEMORANDUM**

**TO:** Mayor and City Council

**FROM:** Bert Lumbreras, Assistant City Manager

**DATE:** June 26, 2012

**SUBJECT:** New Central Library

On June 28, 2012, Council will be requested to authorize the negotiation and execution of an amendment to the professional services agreement with Lake|Flato Architects, Inc. / Shepley Bulfinch Richardson and Abbott Incorporated, a Joint Venture for the New Central Library.

On December 9, 2010, the City Council approved a revised project budget and the Architectural Building Program Narrative which resulted in a new definition for Austin's New Central Library – a "Library for the Future". In order to continue with the design of this project an amendment to the professional services agreement is required. This amendment will allow the design phase services to fulfill the new definition of the New Central Library. The modifications to the architectural and engineering scopes of work include:

- 1. the complete design of approximately 192,000 square feet of building;
- 2. responding to the complexity of the building as a result of the revised construction budget of \$90 million;
- 3. the design of a detailed rainwater collection system utilizing an underground, former Austin Energy pump room as a storage tank;
- 4. the design of a detailed structural foundation system responsive to the geotechnical engineering investigation outcome, the location of the Downtown Wastewater tunnel beneath the library building, as well as the high water table and flood conditions of Lady Bird Lake;
- 5. the selection and procurement of additional furnishings and equipment; and
- 6. the additional detailed coordination with adjacent ongoing projects in the Lower Shoal Creek area.

This professional services amendment request is for an additional \$1.3 million dollars. We will return to City Council at a later date for authorization for construction phase services concurrent with the initial construction contract.

Please do not hesitate to contact me if you have any question or if you need additional information.

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Robert Goode, Assistant City Manager
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