

Recommendation for Council Action (CMD)

Austin City Council Item ID: 16181 Agenda Number 25.

Meeting Date: June 28, 2012

Department: Contract Management

Subject

Authorize execution of a professional services agreement with GRAEBER SIMMONS & COWAN, INC. D/B/A GSC ARCHITECTS, Austin, TX, for architectural services for repair of Turner Roberts Recreation Center in an amount not to exceed \$125,000.

Amount and Source of Funding

Funding is available in the Fiscal Year 2011-2012 Capital Budget of the Parks and Recreation Department.

Fiscal Note

A fiscal note is attached.

Purchasing Language:	
Prior Council Action:	March 8, 2012 - Council approved execution of a construction contract.
For More Information:	David Smythe-Macaulay, 974-7152; Susan Garnett, 974-7064; April Shaw, 974-7141
Boards and Commission Action:	
Related Items:	
MBE / WBE:	This contract will be awarded in compliance with Chapter 2-9B of the City Code (Minority Owned and Women Owned Business Enterprise Procurement Program). No subcontracting opportunities were identified; therefore, no goals were established for this solicitation.

Additional Backup Information

The City of Austin entered into a contract with Journeyman Construction, LP ("Journeyman") in March of 2007 that required Journeyman to construct the Turner Roberts Recreation Center (the "Project") located at 7201 Colony Loop Drive, Austin, Texas 78724. Following completion of construction, the City determined that the building was experiencing foundation movement and cracking in the walls. Following an investigation of the conditions, the City asserted a claim against Journeyman and the design team made up of Graeber Simmons & Cowan, Inc. d/b/a GSC Architects ("GSC") and Jaster-Quintanilla & Associates, Inc. ("JQ"). The City and the design team worked together to investigate the problems and develop a repair plan for the Project. In March 2012, the City awarded a contract to Chasco Constructors to repair the Project.

The City, GSC, JQ and Journeyman have participated in the negotiation and preparation of a Settlement Agreement

and Mutual Release ("Agreement") that settles and releases all claims between the parties arising from the Project. As
part of this Agreement, the City and GSC have agreed to enter into an additional design agreement for design and
construction administration services for the repair. This request will provides authorization for these architectural
design and construction administration services.

This project is managed by the Public Works Department.