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Recommendation for Council Action (CMD)

Austin City Council

Item ID:

20300

Agenda Number

11.

Meeting Date:

December 6, 2012

Department:

Contract Management

Subject

Authorize execution of a construction contract with AUSTIN FILTER SYSTEMS for Harold Court East Regional Service Center Improvements in the amount of \$4,795,831.40 plus a \$479,583.14 contingency, for a total contract amount not to exceed \$5,275,414.54.

Amount and Source of Funding

Funding is available in the Fiscal Year 2012-2013 Capital Budget of the Austin Resource Recovery Department.

Fiscal Note

A fiscal note is attached.

Purchasing Language:

Lowest responsive bid of four bids received.

Prior Council Action:



For More Information:

Jules Parrish 974-9385; Susan Garnett 974-7064; April Shaw 974-7141.

Boards and Commission Action:



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 8.93% MBE and 2.75% WBE subcontractor participation.

Related Items:

Additional Backup Information

This project is located on approximately 23.3 acres of the 74.9 acre tract of the Harold Court East Regional Service Center. The Facility is located at 6301 Harold Court, in East Austin immediately west of Ed Bluestein Blvd. (US 183), and adjacent to Fort Branch Creek to the west and to Boggy Creek to the south. The Facility contributes to both Fort Branch Creek and Boggy Creek Watersheds, both of which are classified as urban watersheds. The Harold Court East Regional Services Center is a City-owned multi-purpose facility shared by multiple departments including Public Works, Watershed Protection, Fleet Services and the Austin Water Utility. The site is largely used for material storage, and currently includes 52 buildings for vehicle maintenance, construction equipment storage and general office space.

Due to unstable slopes on the western and southern boundaries of the property, resulting in periodic movement of the embankment, the City of Austin contracted for engineering, geotechnical and environmental investigations to respond to the condition. These studies indicated that permanent slope stabilization is required. An existing 48-inch storm drain outfall at the bottom of the western slope has been displaced and damaged as a result of the shifting embankment. The shifting embankment could damage an existing wastewater main in the area. Erosion of the embankment along the southern perimeter has eliminated any trace of a storm drain outfall initially constructed at Harold Court.

The proposed project improvements include slope controls constructed on the eroding embankment along the western and southern perimeters of the facility to prevent further migration of the material into Fort Branch Creek and to provide improved worker safety and function of the site for material storage. The slope controls will consist of multiple rows of gabion walls separated by vegetative terraces with a service road to provide access to the proposed bio-filtration pond. The proposed project improvements include repairs and upgrades to the existing storm sewer system currently serving the facility and a water quality treatment system. Upgrades to the existing sidewalk, improved screening from adjacent landowners, and landscaping are also included.

Due to the potential for unforeseen conditions, a 10% contingency in funding has been included to allow for the expeditious processing of any change orders.

The contract allows 330 working days for completion of this project. This project is located within zip code 78721 and is managed by the Public Works Department.

Austin Filter Systems is located in Austin, Texas.