CIP EXPENSE DETAIL

DATE OF COUNCIL CONSIDERATION: CONTACT DEPARTMENT(S):

6/6/13 Parks and Recreation

SUBJECT: Authorize negotiation and execution of an amendment to the professional services agreement with THE BROUSSARD GROUP, INC., DBA TBG PARTNERS, A TEXAS CORPORATION, for architectural and engineering services for the Town Lake Metropolitan Park- Auditorium Shores event lawn, off-leash area and central lawn area of Town Lake Park North of Riverside Drive in the amount of \$400,000, for a total contract amount not to exceed \$2,982,163.35. --------Related to Items #24318 #24319, and #24444.

CURRENT YEAR IMPACT:

Department:	Parks and Recreation
Project Name:	Auditorium Shores Improvements
Fund/Department/Unit:	8741-8607-NEW
Funding Source:	Donation
Current Appropriation:	3,500,000.00
Unencumbered Balance:	3,500,000.00
Amount of This Action:	(400,000.00)
Remaining Balance:	3,100,000.00

ANALYSIS / **ADDITIONAL INFORMATION:** The Broussard Group (TBG) began work on this project in 1999 and has been the design consultant for the Master Plan and the first two phases of this project. Their work has included extensive interaction with stakeholders and the surrounding community. Their continued work on this and future phases of the project is essential to the successful completion of this project.

Work in progress includes: 1) the trailhead portion of Town Lake Metro Park which is in design and construction is expected to begin in the fall of 2013; and 2) design for the Alliance Children's Garden portion of Butler Park to the south of Riverside Drive. The Master Plan update for the park includes proposed improvements to Auditorium Shores north of Riverside Drive.

The additional authorization will provide for improved amenities for Town Lake Park from the Trailhead to the railroad tracks. Chief among these amenities is the redefinition of the primary off-leash area to that portion of the park adjacent to West Bouldin Creek. Additionally, irrigation and sodding of the central lawn, and recontouring, irrigation and sodding of the Event Lawn are anticipated. Moving the off-leash area allows the Event Lawn to have vegetation year round, making it a more suitable venue for events. This contract provides for design services from schematic design through construction phase.

This project is located in zip code 78704, and is managed by the Public Works Department.

The Broussard Group, Inc. is located in Austin, Texas.