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Recommendation for Council Action (CMD)

Austin City Council	Item ID:	27300	Agenda Number	6.
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Meeting Date: October 3, 2013

Department: Contract Management

Subject

Authorize execution of a change order to the construction contract with MUNIZ CONCRETE AND CONTRACTING, INC. for ADA Sidewalk, Ramp, and Bikeway Improvements 2011 Group 11 Citywide in the amount of \$821,133, for a total contract amount not to exceed \$6,842,775.

Amount and Source of Funding

Funding is available in the Fiscal Year 2013-2014 Capital Budget of the Public Works Department.

Fiscal Note

No fiscal note is required.

Purchasing Language:

Prior Council Action:

December 8, 2011 – Council approved execution of a construction contract.

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Boards and Commission Action:

Related Items:

MBE / WBE:

This contract was awarded in compliance with City Code Chapter 2-9A (Minority Owned and Women Owned Business Enterprise Procurement Program) with 2.94% MBE and 6.22% WBE subcontractor participation to date including this change order.

Additional Backup Information

The original bid was administered under an Indefinite Delivery/Indefinite Quantity (IDIQ) contract. The IDIQ contract included engineered details, specifications, planned project locations, and estimated total quantities of work. As each project location was further defined, a specific "work assignment" was given to the contractor and he or she completed the scope of work for the unit prices included in the contract. This contracting method allowed for the flexibility of adding projects based on priorities designated by the City and the practice of concurrent engineering in the field resulted in expedited work and significant cost savings.

The Public Works Department (PWD) has received several requests from City departments and other entities to complete important pedestrian infrastructure work. Due to increasing priorities for quick construction of sidewalks, staff recommends utilizing this contract to the maximum amount permitted by Law. This will allow the City to continue to provide uninterrupted construction of sidewalks with the additional funding that has become available.

The Austin Convention Center has requested that the PWD complete approximately \$2,000,000 worth of Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) renovations to the exterior walkways around the building. To date, approximately \$750,000 of that work has been completed. In addition, Capital Metro has approximately \$800,000 in non-Federal funding for ADA bus stop upgrades city wide. Approximately \$580,000 of those bus stop upgrades have been completed.

Administrative authority has almost been exhausted due to the increased workload. Due to the high volume of events, suspending work would be detrimental to the Austin Convention Center. This change is necessary to maintain the momentum of work while new means of sidewalk execution are pursued. In addition to the quick turn-around for construction, increasing this contract will lock in unit prices from mid-2012, further expanding sidewalk funding.

Due to the nature of the IDIQ process the required work quantities are unknown and therefore it is impossible to define the subcontractor information at this time; however, the contractor will continue to utilize those minority subcontractors on the original compliance plan.

This changed order has been approved by the City's Change Control Committee.

Muniz Concrete and Contracting, Inc. is located in Austin, Texas.