

Recommendation for Council Action (CMD)

Austin City Council Item ID: 48024 Agenda Number 9.

Meeting Date: August 20, 2015

Department: Contract Management

Subject

Authorize execution of a construction contract with MUNIZ CONCRETE & CONTRACTING, INC. (MBE/MH 65.71%) for the Waller Eastwoods Park Stream Restoration Project in the amount of \$638,729.50 plus a \$63,872.95 contingency, for a total contract amount not to exceed \$702,602.45.

Amount and Source of Funding

Funding is available in the Fiscal Year 2014-2015 Capital Budget of the Watershed Protection Department

Fiscal Note

A fiscal note is attached.

Purchasing	Lowest responsive bid of three bids received through a competitive Invitation for Bid
Language:	solicitation.
Prior Council	
Action:	
For More	Jessica Salinas, 512-974-7646; Lee Sherman, 512-974-6555; Lucy Bonee, 512-974-7967;
Information:	Rolando Fernandez, 512-974-7749; Elizabeth Godfrey-Weidig, 512-974-7141.
Boards and	
Commission	
Action:	
Related Items:	
MBE / WBE:	This contract will be awarded in compliance with City Code Chapter 2-9A Minority Owned and Women Owned Business Enterprise Procurement Program by meeting the goals with 89.17% MBE and 3.71% WBE participation.
Additional Backup Information	

This project will restore and stabilize severely eroded stream-banks in Waller Creek - Eastwoods Park as well as enhance riparian habitat along the stream corridor and improve water quality.

In 2011, the Erosion Control Mission of the Watershed Protection Department rated the Eastwoods Park project a "very high" priority due to ten erosion complaints along 1,100 linear feet of Waller Creek passing through Eastwoods Park threatening park infrastructure, heritage trees, and causing a safety hazard for park visitors.

The project begins at Waller Creek near East 30th Street and extends downstream to approximately 60 feet before the Dean Keeton Street creek crossing. The work consists of approximately 586 linear feet (not contiguous) of bank stabilization which includes 915 cubic yards of excavation; 2,894 square feet of mechanically stabilized earth wall, an innovative water quality control, ball field improvements, soil amendment, seeding, sodding, and maintenance.

The project schedule has been coordinated with the University of Texas at Austin. Feedback from the University was to minimize disruption of park use, which is utilized less during winter months. Further delay of construction could negatively impact the project by causing tree plantings and landscape implementation to occur in hot summer months rather than winter or early spring. Also, the creek may continue to change and erode, making the design less applicable.

Due to the potential for unknown subsurface conditions and uncertain creek conditions, a 10% contingency in funding has been included to allow for the expeditious processing of any change orders. A contingency is an additional amount of money added to the construction budget to cover any unforeseen construction costs associated with the project.

The contract allows 180 calendar days for completion of this project. This project is located within zip code 78705 and District 9. The project will be managed by the Public Works Department.

Muniz Concrete & Contracting is located in Austin, Texas and is a City certified Minority-Owned Business Enterprise/Hispanic Male.