

Recommendation for Council Action (CCO)

Austin City Council Item ID: 50753 Agenda Number 5.

Meeting Date: 10/15/2015

Department: Capital Contracting Office

Subject

Authorize negotiation and execution of a professional services contract with DESIGN WORKSHOP INC. or one of the other qualified responders to Request for Qualifications CLMP185, to provide architectural services for the Shipe Neighborhood Pool Facility in an amount not to exceed \$300,000.

Amount and Source of Funding

Funding is available in the Fiscal Year 2015-2016 Capital Budget of the Parks and Recreation Department.

Fiscal Note

A fiscal note is attached.

Purchasing	Staff recommendation is the most qualified firm out of seven firms evaluated through the					
Language:	City's qualification-based selection process.					
Prior Council Action:	In September of 2014, in preparation for the 2015 budget year, Council authorized funding, through a certificate of obligation, for a onetime capital expenditure allocated to the construction of a new pool facility at Shipe Neighborhood Park.					
For More	Reynaldo Hernandez, 512-974-9464; April Shaw, 512-974-6716; Rolando Fernandez, 512-974-					
Information:	7749; Sarah Torchin, 512-974-7141.					
Boards and						
Commission						
Action:						
Related Items:						
MBE / WBE:	This contract will be awarded in compliance with City Code Chapter 2-9B Minority Owned and Women Owned Business Enterprise Procurement Program by meeting the goals with 15.80% MBE and 15.80% WBE participation.					
Additional Backup Information						

The Shipe pools are two of the oldest pool structures in the City Aquatic Division inventory. The wading pool was completed in 1934 followed a few years later by the lap pool. The age of the Shipe pools is estimated at over 80 years. The Shipe pools are located on the southern edge of the intimate two setting of Shipe Park. The park is a neighborhood oriented park and is highly used and visited by the local community. The local Hyde Park Neighborhood Association is a positive steward for Shipe Park and the pools. The Shipe pool facility currently consists of a wading pool and a larger main lap/swimming pool. Shipe Pool was recently identified as a critical pool, meaning it requires immediate repair in order to be maintained in a functioning condition. The designation was based on the condition of the existing pool shells, which leak, and the need to replace all of the pool decking at the lap pool.

The selected design consultant must skillfully integrate the existing park amenities, which include the historic Texas log cabin, dog trot, art mural, and the protected and heritage trees of the site. The design shall also include public outreach for design input and feedback to be responsive to potential aquatic programming opportunities for the neighborhood. In coordination with the Parks and Recreation Department's Public Information Office, the selected firm will also assist with additional outreach and engagement activities, including making presentations to the community during design and construction phases and presentations to boards and commissions as required by the permitting process. The public outreach process shall seek to inform the design team of stakeholder concerns and issues related to the development and design features of the new pool.

This authorization provides for funding of architectural-related services, including: project management/administration services, quality control, preliminary phase services, architectural design programming, schematic design, design phase services, bid phase services, construction phase services, post-construction, and warranty phase services.

This request allows for the development of an agreement with the qualified responder that Council selects. If the City is unsuccessful in negotiating a satisfactory agreement with the selected responder, negotiations will cease with that provider. Staff will return to Council so that Council may select another qualified responder and authorize contract negotiations with that provider.

Participation goals or subgoals stated in the solicitation were 1.90% African American; 9.00% Hispanic; 4.90% Native/Asian; 15.80% WBE. The recommended firm provided a MBE/WBE Compliance Plan that met the goals of the solicitation and was approved by the Small and Minority Business Resources Department. The alternate firm provided a MBE/WBE Compliance Plan that met the goals of the solicitation and was approved by the Small and Minority Business Resources Department.

Notification of issuance of a Request for Qualifications solicitation issued on June 22, 2015 through the City's Vendor Connection web portal, which resulted in 1,292 firms receiving notice. The Request for Qualifications was obtained by 89 firms and seven submitted qualification statements. Two of the firms were certified MBE/WBE firms. Of the seven firms evaluated, two firms were short-listed and interviewed. Interviewing of the short-listed firms results in the following recommendation.

RECOMMENDED FIRM: DESIGN WORKSHOP INC.

ALTERNATE FIRM: KIMLEY-HORN AND ASSOCIATES, INC.

Design Workshop Inc. is located in Austin, TX. Kimley-Horn and Associates, Inc. is located in Irving, TX.

This project is in zip code 78751 (District 9) and is managed by the Parks and Recreation Department.