

AGENDA



Recommendation for Council Action

AUSTIN CITY COUNCIL

Regular Meeting : February 1, 2018

Item Number: 006

Capital Contracting Office

Authorize award and execution of a construction contract with WPM Construction Services, Inc., for The Northern Walnut Creek Hike & Bike Trail PH1A project in the amount of \$581,413.60, plus a \$29,070.68 contingency, for a total contract amount not to exceed \$610,484.28. [Note: 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 7.34% MBE and 1.29% WBE participation.]

District(s) Affected: District 10

Lead Department	Capital Contracting Office <u>Managing Department(s)</u> Public Works Department
Fiscal Note	Funding in the amount of \$431,455 is available in the Fiscal Year 2017-2018 Capital Budget of the Parks and Recreation Department. Funding in the amount of \$179,029.68 is available in the Fiscal Year 2017-2018 Capital Budget of the Public Works Department.
Purchasing Language	Lowest responsive bid of five bids received through a competitive Invitation for Bid solicitation.
For More Information	Inquiries should be directed to the City Manager's Agenda Office, at 512-974-2991 or AgendaOffice@austintexas.gov. NOTE: Respondents to this solicitation, and their representatives, shall direct inquiries to Rolando Fernandez, 512-974-7749, Aiden Cohen, 512-974-1929, or the Project Manager, Clay Harris, 512-974-7895.

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Additional Backup Information:

The Northern Walnut Creek Hike and Bike Trail Phase 1A project is the fourth and final phase of the Northern Walnut Creek Trail Project that extends from Balcones District Park to Walnut Creek Metropolitan Park. The first phase of the trail was completed in early 2016 and extends from Walnut Creek Metropolitan Park to the MOPAC Expressway. The second phase was completed in the summer of 2017 and is part of Texas Department of Transportation MOPAC Expressway Sections 1 and 2A project. The third phase of the trail extends approximately 1,430 linear feet from the MOPAC Expressway into Balcones District Park and was completed in fall 2017.

The purpose of the Northern Walnut Creek Trail project is to provide a regional trail system that will link neighborhoods, businesses, and schools by providing safe and scenic access for bicyclists and pedestrians along Walnut Creek. This project will reduce both congestion and travel time for commuters utilizing the trail. This final phase of the project will add approximately 2,030 linear feet of 10-foot-wide concrete trail with two-foot wide shoulders from Amherst Drive through Balcones District Park to the third phase of the trail. It will also include 200 linear feet of sidewalk, retaining walls to maintain an acceptable slope, storm water facilities to accommodate existing drainage patterns, and will have environmental protections to safeguard existing protected species and sensitive areas.

There have been nine public outreach meetings with neighborhood residents in the project area to collaborate and inform them of the work. Stakeholders will continue to receive communication on the progress of the project.

Area residents are eager for the project to be completed and a delay in executing this contract would prolong its completion.

Due to the potential for unforeseen conditions, a 5% 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 78703 (District 10).

WPM Construction Services, Inc. is located in Austin, Texas.

Information on this solicitation is available through the City's Austin Finance Online website.

Link: Solicitation Documents

<https://www.ci.austin.tx.us/financeonline/vendor_connection/solicitation/solicitation_details.cfm?sid=118968>.