

**AGENDA**



**Recommendation for Council Action**

**AUSTIN CITY COUNCIL**

**Regular Meeting: June 14, 2018**

Item Number: **010**

**Capital Contracting Office**

Authorize award and execution of a construction contract with Aaron Concrete Contractors LP for East 7th Street at Chicon Street and Calles Street Intersection Improvements (REBID) in the amount of \$309,448.50 plus a \$15,472.43 contingency, for a total contract amount not to exceed \$324,920.93. [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 8.17% MBE and 4.92% WBE participation.]

**District(s) Affected:** District 1, District 3

<p><b>Lead Department</b></p>	<p>Capital Contracting Office</p> <p><b><u>Managing Department(s)</u></b> Public Works Department</p>
<p><b>Fiscal Note</b></p>	<p>Funding is available in the Fiscal Year 2017-2018 Capital Budget of the Public Works Department.</p>
<p><b>Purchasing Language</b></p>	<p>Lowest responsive bid of two bids received through a competitive Invitation for Bid solicitation.</p>
<p><b>For More Information</b></p>	<p>Inquiries should be directed to the City Manager’s Agenda Office, at 512-974-2991 or <a href="mailto:AgendaOffice@austintexas.gov">AgendaOffice@austintexas.gov</a>.</p> <p>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, Genest Landry, 512-974-8749.</p>

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**Additional Backup Information:**

In the summer of 2011 the City of Austin completed improvements along East 7th Street from Navasota Street to Pleasant Valley Road including street reconstruction, resurfacing of travel lanes, drainage, and streetscape improvements. Shortly following construction, City staff identified deficiencies in the pavers at the intersections of East 7th Street and Chicon Street and East 7th Street and Calles Street. Temporary repairs were made until a more permanent solution could be identified. A claim was filed by the City against the contractor and design engineer and a settlement of \$425,000 was reached through mediation. This project will be funded by the settlement.

This project removes failing pavers along portions of East 7<sup>th</sup> Street, adjacent crosswalks, and replaces them with colored concrete closely matching the color of the removed pavers. The intersections will be repaired sequentially in two phases in order to maintain two lanes of traffic in each direction along East 7th Street at all times. Chicon Street and then Calles Street will be closed immediately north and then south of East 7th Street during construction. Traffic will be detoured to adjacent north and south streets. The construction duration is estimated to be two weeks per intersection, for a total of four weeks.

This contract will include award of an alternate bid item in the amount of \$122,200.50 for the repair of East 7th Street and Calles Street intersection. An alternate bid is a specified item of the construction work that is priced separately for additional items of work that may be awarded as part of the contract if the bids come within the specified budget.

This work will affect Capital Metro bus service along Chicon Street. The City is working with Capital Metro to plan bus detour routes during construction. The City will further provide Capital Metro with regular updates of construction progress. The proposed work will also limit access to Huston-Tillotson University during construction. The objective is to complete construction in the summer before students return to campus in mid-August. In order to do so, work must begin by the beginning of July.

Due to the potential of unknown subsurface 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 35 calendar days for completion of this project. This project is located within zip code 78702 (Districts 1 and 3).

Aaron Concrete Contractors L.P. is located in Austin, Texas.

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

Link: Solicitation Documents

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