

AGENDA



Recommendation for Council Action

AUSTIN CITY COUNCIL

Regular Meeting: November 29, 2018

Item Number: 004

Capital Contracting Office

Authorize negotiation and execution of an amendment to the professional services agreement with Freese and Nichols, Inc., for engineering services for the Martin Luther King Jr. Boulevard transit Oriented Development Stormwater Conveyance project in the amount of \$783,000, for a total contract amount not to exceed \$2,400,000. [Note: This amendment will be awarded in compliance with City Code Chapter 2-9B (Minority Owned and Women Owned Business Enterprise Procurement Program). Current participation to date is 20.48% MBE and 24.81% WBE.]

District(s) Affected: District 1

Lead Department	Watershed Protection Department <u>Managing Department(s)</u> Watershed Protection Department
Fiscal Note	Funding is available in the Fiscal Year 2018-2019 Capital Budget of the Watershed Protection Department.
Purchasing Language	Original contract was awarded through a qualifications-based selection process.
Prior Council Action	August 3, 2017 - Council approved additional authorization for an existing professional services agreement with Freese and Nichols, Inc. February 13, 2014 - Council approved a professional services agreement with Freese and Nichols, Inc.
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, Beverly Mendez, 512-974-3596, or the Project Manager, Glen Taffinder, 512-974-3381.
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Additional Backup Information:

The Watershed Protection Department (WPD) has committed to assist development in Transit Oriented Development (TOD) areas by identifying stormwater infrastructure that is needed. WPD has specifically committed to fund the construction of some of the stormwater infrastructure needed for the Martin Luther King TOD. A preliminary engineering report was completed in December 2012 and is the basis for future design projects for the Martin Luther King TOD. The report documented five systems (phases) with infrastructure needs, identified as Martin Luther King, Airport North, Manor, Airport South, and 12th Street.

This request provides additional authorization for professional engineering services needed due circumstances that have increased the cost of the project. This includes accelerating part of the project due to the approval of a site plan in the area, redesign of a segment of the project and inclusion of additional drainage area in the northern part of the project. Additional detail on the changes are:

- The project was originally envisioned to widen the existing paved area on Martin Luther King Jr. Boulevard to provide mobility enhancements which required the acquisition of easements. However, during the project design phase it was determined that the acquisitions were not viable and therefore the project will be redesigned to accommodate the storm drain infrastructure within the existing pavement width.
- The Watershed Protection Department has identified additional failing storm drain infrastructure adjacent to the project area on Larry Lane and extension of this project to the north provides a cost-effective resolution to this additional need.
- Additional coordination with City stakeholders occurred, to obtain review comments on the new and redesigned components of the project.
- The project must obtain a General Permit for the new and redesigned components of the project.

This amendment was approved by the City's Change Control Committee. The Change Control Committee was established to comply with Council Resolution No. 20120126-048, which required the establishment of consistent criteria and process to evaluate contractual changes for all contracts administered by the Capital Contracting Office. The Change Control Committee is comprised of management-level subject matter experts.

Freese and Nichols, Inc. is located in Austin, Texas.