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SUBJECT: Authorize negotiation and execution of a professional services agreement with the following eight (8) firms: FREESE & NICHOLS, INC., Austin, TX; HDR ENGINEERING, INC, Austin, TX; CRESPO CONSULTING SERVICES, Austin, TX (MBE/MH); HALFF ASSOCIATES, INC., Austin, TX; ALAN PLUMMER ASSOCIATES, INC., Austin, TX; DANNENBAUM ENGINEERING CORPORATION, Austin, TX; RAYMOND CHAN & ASSOCIATES, INC. (MBE/MA), Austin, TX; and ESPEY CONSULTANTS, INC., Austin, TX for general watershed engineering services such as planning, design and construction phase services for a period of approximately two years or until financial authorization expended, in an amount not to exceed \$3,000,000, or with a total aggregate amount of the eight agreements not to exceed \$3,000,000.

AMOUNT & SOURCE OF FUNDING: Funding in the amount of \$3,000,000 is included in the Watershed Protection Utility and General Obligation bond accounts. Other accounts will be used depending on location and nature of the project.

FISCAL NOTE: There is no unanticipated fiscal impact. A fiscal note is not required.

REQUESTING Public Works DIRECTOR'S

DEPARTMENT: for Watershed Protection and AUTHORIZATION: Sondra Creighton

Development Review;

FOR MORE INFORMATION CONTACT: Gary Kosut, 974-3374; George Oswald, 974-3369; Laura Bohl, 974-7064

PRIOR COUNCIL ACTION: N/A

BOARD AND COMMISSION ACTION: N/A

PURCHASING: Best eight qualification statements of twenty seven received.

MBE / WBE: Participation subgoals stated in the solicitation were 8.7% MBE and 18.2% WBE.

The City of Austin's Watershed Protection and Development Review Department has identified and anticipates a number of engineering projects addressing the three primary missions of the watershed management program: water-quality protection, flood hazard mitigation and creek erosion stabilization missions. The projects will generally be small to medium in scope. Some assignments will involve the planning, design and assistance to the City in managing the construction of projects. Typically, the construction costs will range from about \$200,000 to \$1,250,000. Other assignments may consist of planning studies, environmental assessments, and land-use analysis using geographical infrastructure systems (GIS) technology.

The City issued a similar Request for Qualifications (RFQ) in November 2001. On February 28, 2002, Council authorized the selection of six (6) firms and professional services agreements were executed under the total authority of \$2,000,000. The total authorization will soon be exhausted. A total authorization of \$3,000,000 and the selection of eight firms are requested now. This recommended action will provide for the continuing engineering requirements of the Watershed Protection & Development Review Department and reflects the increased needs of the utility (based upon our master

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planning efforts), and funding available through drainage fee revenues and other sources.

This request allows for the development of a professional service agreement with each of the eight (8) recommended firms. The period of service is estimated to be approximately two years or until the contracting authority is exhausted. Specific projects will be assigned on the basis of the firms' expertise and available resources. Reasonable effort will be made to distribute the work equally among the contracted firms. Should the City be unsuccessful in negotiating a satisfactory agreement with any one of the recommended prime firms, negotiations will cease with that firm and the funding will be distributed among the remaining recommended firms.

Notification of issuance of a Request for Qualifications (RFQ) for the subject services was sent to two hundred forty firms on November 20, 2003. The RFQ was obtained by sixty-six firms, and twenty-seven firms submitted qualification statements. Seven of the firms were certified M/WBE firms. Evaluation of the submittals of the twenty-seven firms results in the following recommendations.

Participation subgoals stated in the solicitation were 1.1% African-American, 5.9% Hispanic, 1.7% Native/Asian-American, and 18.2% WBE. The recommended firms provided M/WBE Compliance Plans, which were approved by the Department of Small and Minority Business Resources.

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RECOMMENDED FIRM: -- FREESE AND NICHOLS, INC., Austin, TX - Total Participation:

NON M/WBE TOTAL - PRIME Freese and Nichols, Inc., Austin, TX

70.00%

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MBE TOTAL - SUBCONSULTANTS

11.00%

African American Subtotal

CPM Engineering and Scheduling, Austin, TX (construction inspection, scheduling)

Hispanic Subtotal

Kurkjian Engineering Co., Austin, TX (civil, water quality, hydraulics and hydrology) Sunland Group, Austin, TX (geographic information systems, hydraulics and hydrology

Native/Asian American Subtotal

Raymond Chan & Associates, Inc., Austin, TX (water quality, civil design, hydraulics and hydrology) Frank Lam & Associates, Austin, TX (structural engrg.)

WBE TOTAL - SUBCONSULTANTS

19.00%

Baer Engineering & Environmental Consulting, Inc., Austin, TX (environmental consulting) Holt Engineering, Inc., Austin, TX (geotechnical) Martha Ferrerro Juch, P.E., Inc., Austin, TX (quality assurance/quality control) Dynamic Reprographics, Austin, TX (copying) McGray and McGray Land Surveyors, Inc., Austin, TX (surveying)

NON M/WBE TOTAL - SUBCONSULTANTS

Inter-Fluve, Inc., Bozeman, MT (geomorphic river engineering, erosion control, natural channel design)

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RECOMMENDED FIRM: -- HDR ENGINEERING, INC., Austin, TX - Total Participation:

NON M/WBE TOTAL – PRIME HDR Engineering, Inc., Austin, TX 70,00% 70,00%

MBE TOTAL - SUBCONSULTANTS

11.00%

African American Subtotal

HVJ Associates, Inc., Austin, TX (geotechnical)

Hispanic Subtotal

Kurkjian Engineering Co., Austin, TX (civil & environmental engrg.)

Jose I. Guerra, Inc., Austin, TX (structural & civil engrg.)

Native/Asian American Subtotal

Encotech Engineering Consultants, Inc., Austin, TX (civil engrg., computer-assisted design)

WBE TOTAL - SUBCONSULTANTS

19.00%

Glenrose Engineering, Inc., Austin, TX (environmental)
Winterowd Associates, Austin, TX (landscape architecture)
Inland Civil Associates, LLC, Austin, TX (surveying)
Dynamic Reprographics, Austin, TX (copying)
Lopez Garcia Group, Austin, TX (civil & environmental engrg.)

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RECOMMENDED FIRM: - - CRESPO CONSULTING SERVICES, INC., Austin, TX - Total Participation:

MBE/MH TOTAL - PRIME
Crespo Consulting Services, Inc., Austin, TX

<u>49.00%</u>

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MBE TOTAL - SUBCONSULTANTS

2.80%

African American Subtotal

HVJ Associates, Inc., Austin, TX (geotechnical, environmental)

Native/Asian American Subtotal

Frank Lam & Associates, Inc., Austin, TX (structural engrg.)

WBE TOTAL - SUBCONSULTANTS

18.20%

Baer Engineering & Environmental Consulting, Inc., Austin, TX (environmental consulting/assessment/ impact studies)

Holt Engineering, Inc., Austin, TX (geotechnical-soils, testing)

Landmark Surveying, Inc., Austin, TX (surveying)
Winterowd Associates, Inc., Austin, TX (landscape
architecture & consulting, irrigation systems design
& installation

NON M/WBE TOTAL - SUBCONSULTANTS

30.00%

Lockwood, Andrews & Newnam, Inc., Austin, TX project controls/contracts, civil engrg., hydrology/ hydraulics support, geographical information systems, structural design, dam, drainage, foundation, land development & planning
Inter-Fluve, Inc., Bozeman, MT (natural channel design)

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RECOMMENDED FIRM: -- HALFF ASSOCIATES, INC., Austin, TX - Total Participation:

NON M/WBE TOTAL - PRIME
Halff Associates, Inc., Austin, TX
72.10%

MBE TOTAL - SUBCONSULTANTS

8.7%

African American Subtotal
CPM Engineering and Scheduling, Austin, TX
(construction inspection, scheduling)

Hispanic Subtotal
Canales, Martinez & Nash Surveying Co., Austin, TX
(surveying)

Native/Asian American Subtotal
Raymond Chan & Associates, Inc., Austin, TX
(hydrological/hydraulic modeling)

WBE TOTAL - SUBCONSULTANTS

18.20%

Holt Engineering, Inc., Austin, TX (geotechnical)
Martha Ferrerro Juch, P.E., Inc., Austin, TX (hydrological/hydraulic modeling, public involvement, water quality planning)
Lopez Garcia Group, Austin, TX (water resources,

Lopez Garcia Group, Austin, TX (water resources, environmental & structural engrg.)

NON M/WBE TOTAL - SUBCONSULTANTS

1.00%

Baylor University, Dept of Geology, Waco, TX (erosion management, streambank stabilization)

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RECOMMENDED FIRM: -- ALAN PLUMMER ASSOCIATES, INC., Austin, TX - Total Participation:

NON M/WBE TOTAL - PRIME Alan Plummer Associates, Inc., Austin, TX 72.00% 72.00%

MBE TOTAL - SUBCONSULTANTS

9.50%

African American Subtotal

The Cadman Design & Building Group, Austin, TX (computer assisted design)

Hispanic Subtotal

Martinez, Wright & Mendez, Inc., Austin, TX (civil engrg., hydrological services

Native/Asian American Subtotal

Frank Lam & Associates, Austin, TX (structural engrg.)

WBE TOTAL - SUBCONSULTANTS

18.50%

McGray and McGray Land Surveyors, Inc., Austin, TX (surveying)

Vickrey & Associates, Inc., Austin, TX (surveying)

A.K. Young Associates, Austin, TX (environmental engrg., landscape architecture

Holt Engineering, Inc., Austin, TX (geotechnical engrg.)

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<u>RECOMMENDED FIRM:</u> - - DANNENBAUM ENGINEERING CORPORATION, Austin, TX - Total Participation:

NON M/WBE TOTAL – PRIME
Dannenbaum Engineering Corporation, Austin, TX
69.10%
69.10%

MBE TOTAL – SUBCONSULTANTS 8.7%

African American Subtotal
HVJ Associates, Inc., Austin, TX
(geotechnical)

Hispanic Subtotal
Macias & Associates, Inc., Austin, TX (surveying)

Native/Asian American Subtotal
Frank Lam & Associates, Austin, TX (structural engrg.)

WBE TOTAL – SUBCONSULTANTS 18.20%

Tricia Altamirano Consulting Engineers, Inc., Austin, TX (zoning, land use studies)

Baer Engineering & Environmental Consulting, Inc., Austin, TX (environmental consulting) Dynamic Reprographics, Austin, TX (copying, Blueprinting)

Kurkjian Engineering Corp., Austin, TX (civil engrg.)

NON M/WBE TOTAL - SUBCONSULTANTS 4.00%

Geo-Solutions, Inc., Austin, TX (civil engrg., stream erosion stabilization, natural channel design)

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RECOMMENDED FIRM: - - RAYMOND CHAN & ASSOCIATES, INC., Austin, TX - Total Participation:

MBE/MA TOTAL – PRIME Raymond Chan & Associates, Inc., Austin, TX 62.50% 62.50%

MBE TOTAL - SUBCONSULTANTS

11.00%

African American Subtotal
HVJ Associates, Inc., Austin, TX
(traffic & transportation)

Hispanic Subtotal

Martinez, Wright & Mendez, Inc., Austin, TX (surveying)

Native/Asian American Subtotal

Frank Lam & Associates, Austin, TX (structural engrg.) CAS Consulting & Services, Austin, TX (water quality analysis & modeling)

WBE TOTAL - SUBCONSULTANTS

18.50%

Landmark Surveying, Inc., Austin, TX (surveying)
Glenrose Engineering, Austin, TX (civil engrg., land use studies)

Hicks & Company, Austin, TX (environmental consulting) Holt Engineering, Inc., Austin, TX (geotechnical, soils) Winterowd Associates, Austin, TX (landscape)

NON M/WBE TOTAL - SUBCONSULTANTS

8.00%

Geo-Solutions, Inc., Austin, TX (civil engrg., mechanical stabilized earth wall)

Inter-Fluve, Inc., Bozeman, MT (hydrological services, natural channel design)

Turner, Collie & Braden, Inc., Austin, TX (quality assurance/quality control)

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RECOMMENDED FIRM: -- ESPEY CONSULANTS, INC., Austin, TX - Total Participation:

NON M/WBE TOTAL - PRIME
Espey Consultants, Inc., Austin, TX

68.80% 68.80%

MBE TOTAL - SUBCONSULTANTS

10.00%

African American Subtotal

HVJ Associates, Inc., Austin, TX (environmental consulting/engrg./impact studies, geotechnical-soils)

Hispanic Subtotal

Sunland Group, Austin, TX (surveying, civil engrg., land use studies)

Native/Asian American Subtotal

Lymon C. Reese & Assoc., Inc., Austin, TX (structural engrg., geotechnical-soils)

WBE TOTAL - SUBCONSULTANTS

18.20%

Hill Country Environmental, Inc., Austin, TX
(environmental consulting/engrg./impact studies)
Holt Engineering, Inc., Austin, TX (geotechnical-soils)
McGray & McGray Land Surveyors, Austin, TX
(surveying)

NON M/WBE TOTAL - SUBCONSULTANTS

3.00%

Michael Baker, Jr., Inc., Houston, TX (geographic information systems, land use studies)
Robbin B. Sotir & Associates, Inc., Marietta, GA (hydrologic services, geotechnical-soils)

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