



**Construction Contract
CITY OF AUSTIN
RECOMMENDATION FOR COUNCIL ACTION**

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SUBJECT: Authorize execution of a construction contract with PRISM DEVELOPMENT, INC., (DBE 24%), Austin, TX, for Boggy Creek Trail Bridge Improvements in an amount not to exceed \$273,936.34.

AMOUNT & SOURCE OF FUNDING: Funding is available in the Fiscal Year 1998-1999 Amended Capital Budget of the Transportation, Planning and Sustainability Department.

FISCAL NOTE: A fiscal note is attached.

REQUESTING Public Works

DEPARTMENT: for Transportation, Planning and Sustainability;

DIRECTOR'S

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PRIOR COUNCIL ACTION: N/A

BOARD AND COMMISSION ACTION: N/A

PURCHASING: Public Health & Safety Exemption.

MBE / WBE: 24% DBE prime contractor participation.

Execution of this contract is requested to expedite the correction of current and ongoing health and safety concerns at the Boggy Creek Trail Bridge Improvement site and is authorized under Section 252.022(a)(2) of the Texas Local Government Code, which exempts procurement necessary to preserve or protect the public health and safety of the City's residents.

The Surface Transportation Program (STP) 4C Project authorized the State to upgrade an existing Hike and Bike Trail along the Boggy Creek Greenbelt. The City of Austin is participating in these improvements by providing a matching fund and administering the design and construction of the project. This portion of the project provides for replacement of 3 bridges along the Boggy Creek corridor.

The Boggy Creek Trail is part of Austin's Comprehensive Urban Trail System, which is actively used by a variety of people estimated to exceed 500,000 annual visits. Extending the system into East Austin will increase these numbers significantly and will encourage transportation to and from this region of the city. The project will enhance the ability of more users to utilize the trail system to travel to work, schools, restaurants, other businesses, government offices, parks, and to special events in the downtown area. Also, the Boggy Creek Trail project will link with the rest of the Urban Trail System and will serve as an alternative to the use of a single occupancy motor vehicle, which will lead to an improvement in air quality in Austin. The current bridge replacement project is necessary to preserve and protect the public health and safety. The bridge replacement project is being awarded to the approved low bidder for the entire Boggy Creek Trail Improvements project, but only for the bridge replacement portion of the work, pursuant to the health and safety exemptions to the requirements of bidding.



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The contract allows 100 calendar days for completion of this project.

The contractor's choice of work methodology provides for 1 area of subcontracting opportunity: Bridge supplier.

<u>DBE TOTAL – PRIME</u>	<u>\$64,967.34</u>	<u>24%</u>
Prism Development, Inc, Austin, TX	\$64,967.34	24%

<u>NON DBE TOTAL – SUBCONTRACTORS</u>	<u>\$208,969</u>	<u>76%</u>
Steadfast Bridges, Fort Payne, AL (Bridge Supplier)	\$208,969	76%