Thursday, January 28, 2010

## Contract and Land Management RECOMMENDATION FOR COUNCIL ACTION

Item No. 13

**Subject:** Authorize the use of the Competitive Sealed Proposal project delivery method in accordance with Local Government Code, Chapter 252 and 271 Subchapter H for the Waller Creek Tunnel - Lady Bird Lake Hike and Bike Trail Improvements at Waller Creek.

Fiscal Note: There is no unanticipated fiscal impact. A fiscal note is not required.

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The Lady Bird Lake Hike and Bike Trail Improvements at Waller Creek will upgrade the existing bridge and trail access next to the bridge across Waller Creek.

Selection of a qualified contractor through the Competitive Sealed Proposal process will be in accordance with Texas Local Government Code. Competitive Sealed Proposals is the alternative delivery method most closely related to competitive bidding. The principal difference is the opportunity for negotiation between the City and the proposer and the Request for Proposal (RFP) style response from the contractors. Instead of advertising an Invitation for Bids (IFB), the City advertises a RFP that includes construction documents, selection criteria, and other required information. City-staffed evaluation panel reviews the submitted proposals and scores them in accordance with the evaluation criteria to determine the highest ranked proposer.

The Lady Bird Lake Hike and Bike Trail Improvements at Waller Creek Project development will consist of specialized construction services necessary for the deconstruction of the bridge railing while in use and the minimally invasive modification to the existing structure. The work consists of civil construction services in the near proximity of the public. The services will be provided by a duly qualified and experienced contractor offering best value to the City.