## Thursday, February 11, 2010

## Contract and Land Management RECOMMENDATION FOR COUNCIL ACTION

Item No. 6

**Subject:** Authorize negotiation and execution of an amendment to the professional services agreement with URBAN DESIGN GROUP (WBE/FW-64.59%), Austin, TX, for engineering services on the East 7th Street Corridor Improvements Project in the amount of \$473,290.57 for a total contract amount not to exceed \$1,575,027.73.

Amount and Source of Funding: Funding in the amount of \$249,015.84 is included in the Fiscal Year 2009-2010 Capital Budget of the Planning and Development Review Department. Funding in the amount of \$162,020.77 is included in the Fiscal Year 2009-2010 Capital Budget of the Austin Water Utility. Funding in the amount of \$62,253.96 is included in the Fiscal Year 2009-2010 Capital Budget of the Public Works Department.

Fiscal Note: A fiscal note is attached.

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**MBE/WBE:** This contract will be awarded in compliance with Chapter 2-9B of the city Code (Minority Owned and Women Owned Business Enterprise Procurement Program) with 14.62% MBE and 14.36% WBE subcontractor participation to date.

**Boards and Commission Action:** Briefings were presented to the Design Commission, Urban Transportation Commission, Land and Facilities Subcommittee, Water and Wastewater Commission, and the Parks and Recreation Board. To be reviewed by the Water and Wastewater Commission on February 10, 2010.

**Prior Council Action:** March 1, 2001 - Council passed two resolutions establishing the East 7th Street Corridor Concept Plan, from IH-35 to Shady Lane; June 12, 2003 - Council authorized negotiations with Urban Design Group for preliminary and design phase services; June 8, 2006 - Council approved negotiation and execution of an interlocal agreement with the Texas Department of Transportation to receive federal funding; August 8, 2006 - Council approved authorization for additional design, bidding, and construction phase engineering services; August 28, 2008 - Council approved authorization to update and revise the plans and specifications to include design of water, wastewater, street reconstruction and drainage upgrades.

The improvements included in this project are consistent with the goals established in the approved East 7th Street Corridor Concept Plan, which prioritized the segment of East 7th Street from Chicon Street to Pleasant Valley Road. The project includes full depth street reconstruction, street pavers, water, wastewater and storm drainage improvements, sidewalk improvements along each side of the street, landscape improvements, irrigation, and public art.

This proposal is for the consultant to provide construction phase services on the water, waste water, streetscape, and pedestrian improvements portion of the project. The contract allows 540 calendar days for completion of this project.