

Recommendation for Council Action (CCO)

Austin City Council Item ID: 54041 Agenda Number 8.

Meeting Date: 2/4/2016

Department: Capital Contracting Office

Subject

Authorize execution of a construction contract with RS ELLIS INC./SOUTHWEST CORPORATION, for Fire Station #8 and #32 Driveway Repairs for a total contract amount of \$204,999 plus a 10% contingency in an amount not to exceed \$225,499.

Amount and Source of Funding

Funding is available in the Fiscal Year 2015-2016 Capital Budget of the Austin Fire Department.

Fiscal Note

A fiscal note is attached.

Purchasing	Lowest responsive bid of five bids received through a competitive Invitation for Bid solicitation.
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Prior Council	
Action:	
For More	Robert Menchaca, 512-974-0126; Mark Northcutt, 512-974-3972; Rolando Fernandez, 512-974-
Information:	7749; Sarah Torchin, 512-974-7141.
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	This contract will be awarded in compliance with City Code Chapter 2-9A Minority Owned and
MBE / WBE:	Women Owned Business Enterprise Procurement Program through the achievement of good faith
	efforts with 59.93% MBE and 2.73% WBE participation.
Additional Backup Information	

The Austin Fire Department currently has two fire stations with aging and deteriorating driveways that are exhibiting structural concrete failures. These stations are as follows: Fire Station # 8 located at 8989 Research Blvd, built in 1971 and Fire Station # 32, located at 2804 Montebellow Road, built in 1988.

Based on geotechnical investigations and surveys that were performed during the design phase for this project, it was determined that the driveways for the two fire stations noted above are in need of replacement as they are exhibiting severe structural failure. Both Fire Station #8 and #32 have required repeated remedial repairs to avoid damage to Emergency Response Vehicles as they exit the property. These ongoing remedial repairs to both facilities are costly, difficult to make and require constant maintenance. Complete removal and replacement will provide an expected lifespan of 20 or more years. The project repairs will consist of:

- Replacement of Fire Station #8's multi-vehicle-bay driveway;
- Replacement of Fire Station #32's driveway apron; and
- Replacement of Fire Station #32's driveway.

This item is not time sensitive, however a delay would mean a delay in needed repairs that could affect emergency response times for the citizens these stations serve.

Due to the potential for unknown conditions at the site, a 10% contingency in funding has been included to allow for the expeditious processing of any change orders. A contingency is an additional amount of money added to the construction budget to cover any unforeseen construction costs associated with the project.

The contract allows 75 calendar days for completion of this project. The project is located in the 78758 (District 7) and 78746 (District 8) zip codes. The project will be managed by the Building Services Department.

A complete solicitation package, including bid tabulation, is on file with the City's Capital Contracting Office and is available on the City's Financial Services Austin Finance Online website. Link: Solicitation Documents.

RS Ellis INC./Southwest Corporation is located in Austin, Texas.