

Recommendation for Council Action (CCO)

Austin City Council Item ID: 57273 Agenda Number 6.

Meeting Date: May 19, 2016

Department: Capital Contracting Office

Subject

Authorize award and execution of a construction contract with PIATRA, INC for the Austin Convention Center-North Side Acoustic Upgrade project in the amount of \$479,764 plus a \$47,976 contingency, for a total contract amount not to exceed \$527,740.

Amount and Source of Funding

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

Fiscal Note

A fiscal note is attached.

Purchasing	Lowest responsive bid of three bids received through a competitive Invitation for Bid
Language:	solicitation.
Prior Council	
Action:	
For More	Rolando Fernandez, 512-974-7749; Sarah Torchin, 512-974-7141; Lucy Bonee, 512-974-7967;
Information:	Allison Dietzel, 512-974-7098; Anthony Collier, 512-404-4314.
Boards and	
Commission	
Action:	
MBE / WBE:	
Related Items:	This contract will be awarded in compliance with City Code Chapter 2-9A (Minority Owned and Women Owned Business Enterprise Procurement Program) by meeting the goals with 14.22% MBE and 85.78% WBE participation.
Additional Backup Information	

This project will provide acoustical improvements to mitigate the noise within the Austin Convention Center Level 4 service corridors and will reduce the noise intrusion into adjacent banquet halls.

Project improvements include adding sound deadening panels, acoustical ceiling panels, replacing carpet in selected areas, replacing doors, and adding acoustical hardware to other doors and frames. The work will be performed at night rather than during the Austin Convention Center's normal hours of operation, and will require careful phasing coordinated with Center staff, not only for work hours, but also location of work and on-site storage to minimize conflicts during events.

Due to the potential for discovery of unknown existing building conditions and extensive construction coordination, 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 current estimated completion date for this project is October 2016. The Convention Center has two large events scheduled for November and December during which no construction can be performed. That period of no work combined with the holidays would delay construction into 2017 should this item be postponed or delayed.

The contract allows 90 calendar days for completion of this project. This project is located within zip code 78701 (District 9). The project will be managed by the Public Works Department.

Piatra, Inc. is located in Austin, Texas.

Information on this solicitation, 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.