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Recommendation for Council Action (CCO)

Austin City Council		Item ID:	71507	Agenda Number	54.
Meeting Date:	June 15, 2017				
Department:	Capital Contracting Office				
Subject					
Authorize negotiation and execution of a professional services agreement with TOOLE DESIGN GROUP, LLC, (staff recommendation) or one of the other qualified responders for Request for Qualifications Solicitation No. CLMP226 to provide planning and engineering services for the Austin Safe Routes to School Infrastructure Plan for a total contract amount not to exceed \$1,000,000.					
Amount and Source of Funding					
Funding is available in the Fiscal Year 2016-2017 Capital Budget of the Public Works Department.					
Fiscal Note					
A fiscal note is attached.					
Purchasing Language:	Staff recommendation is the most qualified firm out of eight firms evaluated through the City's qualification-based selection process.				
Prior Council Action:					
For More Information:	Inquiries should be directed to the City Manager's Agenda Office, at 512-974-2991 or AgendaOffice@ austintexas.gov. NOTE: Respondents to this solicitation, and their representatives, shall direct inquiries to Rolando Fernandez 512-974-7749 or Garrett Cox 512-974-9423.				
Boards and Commission Action:					
Related Items:					
MBE / WBE:	This contract will be awarded in compliance with City Code Chapter 2-9B (Minority Owned and Women Owned Business Enterprise Procurement Program) by meeting the goals with 27.33% MBE and 15.80% WBE participation.				

Additional Backup Information

This item is part of the 2016 Mobility Bond. The City of Austin Public Works Department sponsors and manages the Safe Routes to School Program which works in partnership with local school districts to address school route safety concerns. The program's mission is to reduce barriers that prevent students and families from actively traveling to and from school.

The Public Works Department seeks a consultant to develop a Safe Routes to School Infrastructure Plan for each of the approximately 100 elementary schools within the City of Austin. The purpose of this plan is to identify and prioritize infrastructure needs of elementary schools to address safety concerns, and create safer options for students to get to and from school using active modes of transportation. Once complete, these plans will be used for infrastructure implementation.

The consultant will work with City of Austin staff, local school districts, and other stakeholders to develop an Infrastructure Plan for each of the approximately 100 elementary schools. Anticipated services include the evaluation and analysis of existing conditions, a draft infrastructure plan, public outreach, project identification and prioritization, and a final infrastructure plan for each elementary school.

This request allows for the development of an agreement with the qualified responder that Council selects for the funding of services listed above. If the City is unsuccessful in negotiating a satisfactory agreement with the selected responder, negotiations will cease with that provider. Staff will return to Council so that Council may select another qualified responder and authorize contract negotiations with that provider.

A delay in approval of this item will affect the implementation of the Safe Routes to School Infrastructure Plan critical to the safety of Austin area schoolchildren.

This project will be managed by the Corridor Program Implementation Office and the Public Works Department.

RECOMMENDED FIRM: TOOLE DESIGN GROUP, LLC is located in Silver Spring, MD

ALTERNATE FIRM: ALTA PLANNING + DESIGN is located in Portland, OR