

AGENDA



Recommendation for Council Action

AUSTIN CITY COUNCIL

Regular Meeting: December 7, 2017

Item Number: 019

Capital Contracting Office

Authorize award and execution of a construction contract with Austin Traffic Signals Construction Company, Inc., for the Pedestrian Safety Improvements - Hybrid Beacon Installations - Transportation Alternatives Program Grant project in the amount of \$627,292, plus a \$62,729 contingency, for a total contract amount not to exceed \$690,021. (Note: This contract will be awarded in compliance with the federal regulations provided in 49 CFR Part 26 [Disadvantaged Business Enterprise Program] No goals were established for this solicitation.)

District(s) Affected: District 3, District 5, District 7

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| Lead Department | Capital Contracting Office <u>Managing Department(s)</u> Austin Transportation Department |
| Fiscal Note | Funding is available in the Fiscal Year 2017-2018 Capital Budget of the Austin Transportation Department. |
| Purchasing Language | Lowest responsive bid of three bids received through a competitive Invitation for Bid solicitation. |
| Prior Council Action | Resolution No. 20150618-71 - Authorization to pursue Transportation Alternatives Program Grant for pedestrian infrastructure improvements. Ordinance No. 20170126-034 - Authorization of the Advanced Funding Agreement with the Texas Department of Transportation for implementation of Transportation Alternatives Program Grant. |

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| For More Information | <p>Inquiries should be directed to the City Manager's Agenda Office, at 512-974-2991 or AgendaOffice@austintexas.gov.</p> <p>NOTE: Respondents to this solicitation, and their representatives, shall direct inquiries to Rolando Fernandez, 512-974-7749 or Aiden Cohen, 512-974-1929.</p> |
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Additional Backup Information:

The City of Austin was awarded funding through the Transportation Alternatives Program Grant in the amount of \$2,561,069.76 for various pedestrian improvements. Of this funding, the federal contribution is \$1,750,000.00 with the City's match being \$836,069.76. Award of this grant was administered by the Capital Area Metropolitan Planning Organization. To encourage competition and bidding opportunities, these scopes of work were packaged and bid as three contracts.

The pedestrian improvements included in this grant are:

- The installation of pedestrian hybrid beacons at five locations:
 - o Burnet Rd. @ Ashdale Dr.
 - o Pleasant Valley Rd. @ Sheringham Dr.
 - o Congress Ave. @ E. Alpine Rd.
 - o Manchaca Rd. @ Larchmont Dr.
 - o Oltorf St. @ Burton Dr.
- The installation of pedestrian countdown timers city-wide, and
- The installation of accessible pedestrian signals at 27 intersections.

This contract will provide for traffic-controlled pedestrian crossings at five major intersections. The City and the Texas Department of Transportation have worked together to ensure that all federal requirements of this grant are met. The City and the Texas Department of Transportation have entered into a Memorandum of Agreement stating that the City will adopt the Texas Department of Transportation's Disadvantaged Business Enterprise Program requirements in lieu of the City's Minority and Women Owned Business Program. Therefore, for this contract, the City has accepted the Texas Department of Transportation determination of zero Disadvantaged Business Enterprise goals for this project.

Due to the potential for unforeseen conditions in the right-of-way, 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.

A delay in awarding this contract would delay the City's ability to meet the requirements of the grant. Bids were required to be opened in City Fiscal Year 2016-2017. If a contract is not awarded from the received bids, this grant funding will be forfeited.

The contract allows 280 calendar days for completion of this project. This project is located in zip codes 78704, 78741, and 78757 (Districts 3, 5 and 7).

This contract award is subject to concurrence with award by the Texas Department of Transportation.

Austin Traffic Signal Construction Company, Inc., is located in Pflugerville, Texas

Information on this solicitation is available through the City's Austin Finance Online website.

Link: Solicitation Documents

<https://www.austintexas.gov/financeonline/vendor_connection/solicitation/solicitation_details.cfm?sid=117008>